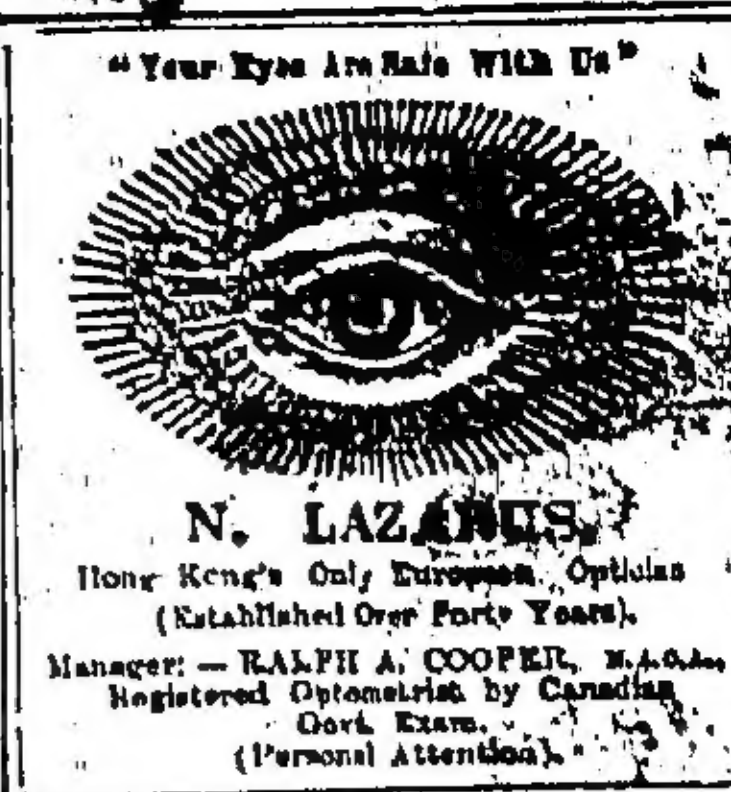


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Our London Letter.

CHRISTMAS AT HOME.

OLD FASHIONED WEATHER.

GOOD CHEER AND GOOD WILL.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, Dec. 31st.

Before the Christmas holiday we had writers in the Press expressing the hope that there would be plenty of frost and snow so that for once in a way we should experience the delights of "an old fashioned Christmas." They wanted a Christmas like that which is depicted in the illustrated papers as the season comes round, with stage coaches "snowed up," and passengers sitting on the top with heavy mufflers round their necks, and a church or farmhouse half buried in a mantle of glittering whiteness. There was small prospect that the wish would be realised up till Christmas night, as the weather was wet. But when darkness fell it began to snow, and snowed all night so that Boxing Day dawned on a country that had been transformed as by a magician.

Snow And A Blizzard.

It snowed on Boxing Day, also, and there was in addition a driving wind from the east, which in many parts of the country assumed the force of a blizzard. The result was that travellers by road in motor cars and motor buses ran into snow drifts where the vehicles became imbedded. In some cases, the unhappy folk who started in the late afternoon had to spend the night out of doors, some in the motor, and others more fortunate in wayside inns or cottages, to which they struggled as best they could. There were snow drifts in many places twenty feet deep. The newspapers have been full of accounts of the experiences of motorists in the snow. There have also been pictures leaving no doubt about the old fashioned Christmas "touch," but the travellers concerned pray that they may never see anything of the kind again.

Villages Cut Off.

In the Home Counties many villages have been cut off from all contact with the outside world since Christmas night, when the snow-storm began. It is so seldom that such extraordinary conditions are encountered in the South of England that nobody in that part of the country will ever forget this Christmas. The visitation found people unprepared. The only Home County that seems to have been equipped with snow-ploughs is Kent, where these snowstorms are still kept along the old coaching roads. But even there the drifts were too deep to be tackled. In Surrey, on the Hog's Back, motor cars were abandoned in drifts twelve feet deep; and there is a story of a small two-seater that is still missing as it wrote five days after Christmas. The Hog's Back is of course the long high ridge that runs from Guildford to Farnham, and the fury of the blizzard must have been terrific in this bleak place.

Parcels From Abroad.

The Post Office report an increase in the number of parcels from abroad that had to be dealt with this Christmas. There is the usual complaint of badly packed parcels, which burst open while they are being handled. The general result is to disclose to the officials the remarkable assortment and variety of presents that are sent through the post at the festive season. When the sorters attempt to repack half-open packages they sometimes find that they are dealing with such disconcerting things as escaping live snakes, frogs or butterflies (the last mentioned have to be chucked all over the office) or perhaps a revolver full of live cartridges. Snakes have a way of becoming lively when the box is opened. Foreigners are the chief offenders in this respect. They do not appreciate the fact that it is against the rules to send live creatures through the post in this country.

(Continued on next column.)

AMERICAN NAVY HOAXED.

"A SALVAGE EXPERT."

DECEIVES ADMIRAL AND UNMASKED BY PRESS.

New York, Dec. 30th.

A hoax on the American Navy, recalling the Kipenick cobbler's hoax on the German Army, has been perpetrated by Charles Shambaugh, a motor-car garage owner, of Lafayette, Indiana.

He never saw a diver in his life, and had only once been in a boat, yet secured an invitation as an "expert" to help raise the sunken submarine S-4 from Rear-Admiral Frank Brumby, in charge of the S-4 salvage fleet.

Shambaugh telegraphed to Admiral Brumby offering his services as a civilian specialist. The admiral replied with an invitation, placed a Government ship at Shambaugh's disposal, had him to dinner as guest in the flagship off Provincetown, (feted him, gave him officer's quarters overnight, and permitted him to use the admiral's motor-car.

Reporters' Questions.

Shambaugh inspected the salvage work, and told the admiral that he could not be improved. Shambaugh's real status became known to-day when he arrived at Boston to-day with important-looking suitcases, preceded by a telegram from Admiral Brumby inviting newspaper reporters to interview him.

The reporters quickly discovered Shambaugh's complete ignorance of salvage matters, and asked him why he came East. He replied, "Pure idle curiosity."

Shambaugh then explained that Admiral Brumby's telegram to him was so cordial that he could not resist. "I could not have been treated better if I had been Rockefeller."

Newspapers say Shambaugh "owned the American Navy for the day." They cannot understand why Admiral Brumby did not discover Shambaugh's lack of knowledge. The incident is most harmful to the U.S. Navy Department, which is being criticised bitterly for its inefficiency in not rescuing the men imprisoned in the S-4.

The Spirit Of Good Will.

As usual in England there was an abundance of good cheer for people in hospital, and in fact every public institution at Christmas. It is one of the most agreeable things in connection with the great festival that year by year the old and the poor are not forgotten. They are fed and tended, and no effort is too much to make them happy. It is true to say this of London and the country generally. A typical instance was the treat to 1,200 of the poorest little boys in London who were given a real banquet at the Guildhall. The Lord Mayor and the Sheriff attended in their robes of State, and together with the Mayors of all the Metropolitan boroughs formed a procession round the hall headed by the City Marshal and the Mace Bearer. The shrill cheers of delight by the youngsters was something to hear and remember. Most of the small guests of the City were orphans, and the King sent a telegram wishing them a happy time.

Civil Service Hours.

I hear that the Civil Service, or a portion of it, is disgruntled over the proposed action of a group of Members of Parliament, who are proposing, in the name of economy, to make an eight hour day the standard throughout the Service. The question is to be raised when Parliament reassembles. The majority of Civil Servants now work eight hours a day, but about 40,000 are only required to put in seven hours at the office. It is the seven hour men who are unhappy at the prospect of more work.

The real importance of the matter is that with a standard day of eight hours there is a possibility of a reduction of staff, or at least a decrease in the number of appointments. I rather think that nothing will come of the proposal, however, for we have had many similar sporadic suggestions in recent years. After all, this is hardly the most effective way to national economy.—H.B.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

Today.

Interport Golf: Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Foursomes).

U.S.R.C. Tennis Tournament. Semi-finals of open events.

Ten. Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-8.30 p.m.

Hockey: Club "A" v. Club de Recreo, King's Park, 5 p.m.; Y.M.C.A. v. Punjabis III.

Reception to the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 5.15 p.m.

Reception at Club Lusitano to Students of Liceu Central de Macau, 5.30 p.m.

Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.

St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club annual meeting, 8.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "College."

World Theatre: "The Gold Rush."

Star Theatre: "The Wedding Song."

Academia de Macau Students Concert, Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Outward: Australia, New Zealand, etc. (Arafura), 8.30 a.m.

Saturday.

Bankruptcy Court, 10.30 a.m.

Interport Golf: Manila v. Shanghai (Foursomes and Foursomes and Singles).

Fishing Hunt: Drag Hunt. Meet at Mr. Post's Bungalow, 2.45 p.m.

Yachting: Reserved for rental or for other race for racing classes.

American Lawn Tennis Tournament at Ladies' Recreation Club.

Cricket League: Division I: C.S.C.C. v. I.R.C. "A"; Royal Navy v. Kowloon C.C. Division II: Kowloon C.C. v. R.A.O.C.; Police R.C. v. Tamar.

Friendly Cricket: University 2nd XI v. C.S.C.C. 2nd XI.

Football League: Division I: Queen's v. South China; Scots Guards v. Club; Recreo v. Kowloon; Royal Air Force v. Police; Chinese Athletic v. K.O.S.B. Division II: "A"; K.O.S.B. v. Royal Artillery; South China "A" v. Recreo; Recreo v. South China "B"; Club v. St. Joseph's; Chinese Athletic v. University.

Tennis: Liceu Central de Macau v. Club de Recreo.

Ten. Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.

Cafe Regent and King Edward Hotel dinner dances, 8 p.m.

Royal Artillery Association (Hong Kong Branch) dance at Seamen's Institute, 8 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "College."

World Theatre: "The Gold Rush."

Star Theatre: "The Wedding Song."

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Negapatnam, letters only (Latimer); Europe via Negapatnam, papers only (Latimer); U.S.A., etc. (President Wilson). Outward: Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Baruna Maru), 6.30 a.m.

Sunday.

4th Sunday after Epiphany.

Interport Golf: Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Singles).

Fishing Hunt: K.O.S.B. Gymkhana.

Yachting: 4th Championship race for cruisers.

3rd Annual Masonic Service, St. John's Cathedral, 6 p.m.

Theosophical Society Lecture, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 6 p.m.

Cheer O' Y.M.C.A.: Men's Meeting, 7.45 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Irresistible Lover."

World Theatre: "Way Down East."

Star Theatre: "The Desert's Toll."

Monday.

Interport Golf: Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Singles).

Interport Football Teams (Soccer and Rugby) due.

Nominations close for election of Justice of the Peace as Member of the Legislative Council.

Ten. Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-8.30 p.m.

Hockey: Army v. R.A.F. (Sim Shield).

The Dean and Mrs. Swann "at Home," St. John's Cathedral Hall, 4.30-6.30 p.m.

Annual Meeting of St. John's Cathedral Southsiders and Subscribers, Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Extraordinary General Council United Services Recreation Club (for members only), 8 p.m.

Interport Golf Dinner, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8.15 p.m.

Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Ben Hur."

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DEAN SYMONS OF SHANGHAI.

ONE OF THE MOST LOVABLE OF MEN.

The North-China Daily News of last Friday contains a warm appreciation, from which we give the following extracts, of the life and work of the late Dean Symons of Shanghai, whose death last week was reported in a Reuters cable published in our issue of last Friday:

The Very Reverend Dean Charles John Symons died at 10.45 a.m. yesterday (Thursday) in his residence, the Deanery of Holy Trinity Cathedral, following an attack of influenza and pneumonia.

Dean Symons, who was about 63 years old, was born in Greenwich, the son of Captain E. C. Symons, R.N. He was educated at Plymouth College, St. John's College, Cambridge, and Ridley Hall Theological College.

In 1887 he was appointed dean of Colchester and the same year came to China and was stationed in Ningpo, a member of the Church Missionary Society, later holding the office of secretary for the C.M.S. Chekiang Mission. He came to Shanghai in 1894, and his posts have included at various times during his distinguished career, that of secretary C.M.S. Diocese of Mid-China; examining chaplain to the Bishop of Chekiang; Honorary assistant chaplain Holy Trinity Cathedral, port chaplain and sub-dean of the Cathedral before he was instituted Dean in April, 1920.

A Life Of Service.

In October of 1920 Dean Symons went home for a short leave and it is a noteworthy and striking tribute to him to record that since that time he had refused to take other leave from his work.

From three generations or more of sea-faring and shipping people, the late Dean inherited a great love of the sea and out of this grew also his deep interest in the welfare of Missions to Seamen, a work in which his guiding hand has been felt in Shanghai. It was on board the ship commanded by his father that the late Dean learnt carpentry which became a hobby with him and in which, even in later years, and here in Shanghai, he was able to indulge. He had a little workshop fixed up at the Deanery where he occasionally found time from his duties to call and work on his duties to humanity to immerse himself in this form of relaxation.

He stood high in Masonic circles. He was Grand Senior Warden of the District Grand Lodge of North China and District Grand Chaplain of the same lodge for a number of years. At the time of his death he held the post of chaplain to the Tientsin Lodge of which he had been, also, a member. He had been past principal of the Zion Royal Arch Chapter and past master of the Orient Mark Lodge, and he held rank in the Grand Lodge of England.

The Community's Affection.

There was scarcely any social or public function which the late Dean did not attend and at which he was not looked upon as a honoured guest. At the time of his death he was President of St. George's Society, and before he was chosen for this post he had served as almoner for the Society.

Another instance of the devotion which the community felt for him was shown last June when a token of its great appreciation for his work and of deep affection, subscribers presented him with a motor car, which he needed especially in conducting his work.

He was surely one of the most lovable and sympathetic of men as his many friends in Shanghai can testify and possessed of a great charm of manner. During his whole long term of work in this port, it is characteristic of him that he has never been known to speak a harsh word or pass an unkind remark. Here indeed was one of the true examples of a Christian and an English gentleman, Christian before all else, and there will be few in Shanghai who will not feel his loss very deeply.

MARRIAGE DANGER YEARS.

LAWYER'S VIEWS ON THE MOST DIFFICULT PERIODS.

PARIS, Dec. 27th. "The first year of marriage and the years from the fifth to the twentieth are the most difficult." This is the conclusion, after ten years' study, of Mr. L. F. Nafziger, one of the most prominent American lawyers in Paris, who has figured in many noted divorce suits.

"If a couple live through the first year without too much discord," says Mr. Nafziger, "their chances of staying married all their lives are quite 70 per cent."

"If their marriage lasts over five years, they will more than likely stay married till after fifteen to twenty years. If they go over twenty years, they have a 90 per cent. possibility of staying out of the divorce court."

CHANGING RUSSIA.

NEW ECONOMIC MOVE.

COMING TO TERMS WITH CAPITAL.

[BY F. A. MACKENZIE.]

The decision of the Russian Communist Party Congress to seek fresh economic relations with the outside world, to come to terms, if possible, with capital, and to engage more foreign experts to improve production, is the most important development of the Soviet State that has taken place since the introduction of the New Economic Policy in 1921.

The N.E.P. marked the beginning of the end of strict Communism. The new move means the beginning of the end of dictation by the workers, which has been one of the foundation principles of the Communist State. What is coming is a system of State Socialism, highly centralised and oppressively bureaucratic, working more or less in co-operation with big capital.

Seven years ago such a development would have seemed impossible. The Communist programme then included the destruction of capital and capitalism, the smashing up of banks and all the machinery of credit, the suppression of all private trade, wholesale or retail, the abolition of money in favour of a system of exchange of products, and the ending of all private ownership, even of personal clothing and furniture. Factories were to be managed by the workers. This was the official programme.

A New Revolution.

To-day private ownership is constantly extending; banking and credit have been restored; the monetary system has been reformed and stabilised; private trade has returned like a flood; the working man, in place of doing as he pleased, has to earn his bread and do as he is told; small manufacturing has been restored to private management, and State factories placed under experts whose business is to make a profit.

In other words, the Russian Government is passing more and more out of the hands of political fanatics into the hands of business administrators. They retain the name, the phraseology, and the machinery of the Communist movement, but they are modifying its whole character. The question still in doubt before this Congress was held was whether the rank and file of the Communist Party would stand such modifications. If the Congress is any test, they welcome it.

There is a long step between the resolutions of the Congress and a modernised and industrially efficient Russia, with "enlarged" factories, electric-powered farms and cheap mass production that will flood the world. The only people who see this coming are those who are unfamiliar with the impractical character of most Russian workers and industrial organisers.

What The Foreign Firms Ask.

Some of the largest foreign firms anxious to do business with Russia ask:

(1) The abolition of the State foreign trade monopoly. This monopoly is the most serious obstacle to normal business, imposing a big official machine between the Russian buyer and the foreign producer. It is no secret that "Krasnyi" while obliged, for political reasons, to support the monopoly, really desired the substitution of a system of licensing and regulating imports from abroad.

(2) The establishment of a regular legal system for generally applying to foreigners engaged in private trade in Russia, in place of elaborate concessions for each separate enterprise, as now.

The Communist Government has officially admitted the loss and hardship suffered by foreign firms, which had their goods seized and business destroyed during the Revolution, but up to now has made the question of compensating these firms contingent on an investigation of the liability of the Allied Powers for the losses caused by their intervention in the civil war. Much will depend on whether it will now treat the two issues separately.—Sunday Times.

BOXING IS "SO DULL."

JUDGE ON THE ONLY FIGHT HE EVER SAW.

"What is a boxing promoter?" asked Judge Sturges at West London County Court, when Messrs. Perton, of Askew-road, Shepherd's Bush, obtained judgment for £24 for work done for Mr. Harry Jacobs in connection with his boxing tournament at Olympia.

"What do you do?" the Judge asked of Mr. Jacobs.

Mr. Jacobs replied that he arranged fights between two men. Judge: And then do you hire Olympia and take the risk whether you fill the seats or not—Yes. Judge Sturges: I have only seen one boxing match, and I never went to another because it was so dull. Mr. Jacobs said he had hired Olympia for two fights, and it cost him £500 a night.

HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

[ORDERS BY LT.-COL. L. G. BIRD, D.S.O., COMMANDANT.]

No. 314.

Programme of firing Part I. Table "T" on Stonecutters Range circulated to all concerned with to-day's orders.

1. Stonecutters Range is allotted to the Portuguese Company for firing Part I. on Sunday, February 5th.

2.—Musketry.

Sunday, January 28th, 1928.

Engineers Company, Scottish Company and Casuals will fire Part II. Table "T" at Stonecutters Range.

Range Officers: Lieut. R. S. Logan and Capt. K. S. Morrison.

Launce will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or multi optional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches, braces and belt must be worn.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, January 27th, 1928, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m.; and on Saturday, January 28th, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

4.—Casuals.

A large number of all ranks have not yet fired Part II. Lists of names are posted on Corps notice boards. All such will make arrangements to fire by Sunday, January 28th, 1928, the last day on which Part II. will be fired.

5.—Corps Signals.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, January 30th, and Thursday, February 2nd, 1928, for Signal Instruction. Dress: Multi.

6.—Artillery Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.25 p.m. on Thursday, February 2nd, for Battery drill. Signal Section as per programme.

7.—Engineer Company.

Musketry Part II. See order No. 3.

8.—Mounted Infantry Company.

There will be a lecture at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, January 30th, 1928. Subject: "Use of Cover." The lecture will be followed by a meeting to discuss gymkhana arrangements.

9.—Armoured Car Company.

Car Section: Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, January 30th, 1928, under 2/Lieut. A. C. Groves for formation run and signal practice. Dress: Multi.

Motor Cyclists will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, January 30th, and proceed to Kennedy Road Range for Machine Gun firing under 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock.

Thursday, February 2nd: Special parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under 2/Lieut. Hancock for those previously detailed.

10.—Infantry Company.

No. 1 Platoon will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 31st, and Friday, February 3rd, 1928, for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Multi.

No. 2 Platoon will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 31st, for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Multi, rifle and bayonet.

11.—Scottish Company.

Musketry Part II: All those who have not yet fired must do so on Sunday, January 28th. For particulars see Order No. 3.

Thursday, February 2nd, at 5.30 p.m. All platoons at Platoon Headquarters for Veterans Gun Instruction. Dress: Multi, rifle, belt and bayonet.

Route March: Thursday, February 2nd. The Company will parade at full strength on above date at Kowloon Ferry and march to Kowloon Dock where No. 6 Platoon have kindly consented to be "At Home" to Nos. 5 and 7 platoons.

COMING EVENTS.

Sunday, March 4th, 1928: Shoot against 2nd Battn., K.O.S.B.

Sunday, April 1st, 1928: Inter-Platoon shoot for "Dyer" Cup. "Quarry Bay" Cup, Guard Mounting, etc., will be competed for at an early and convenient date in March.

Full details of above competitions will be announced later.

12.—Portuguese Company.

Parade on Friday, January 27th, at 5.30 p.m., at Corps Headquarters. Dress: Multi, belt, bayonet, frog, sling, rifle and bayonet for arms and squad drill.

N.C.O.'s and Nos. 1 and 2 of Lewis Gun Sections will parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, January 31st, for Lewis Gun training.

Next Company parade on Friday, February 3rd, 1928.

13.—Reserve Company.

The Machine Gun Class will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 1st. Dress: Multi.

14.—Strength.

The following strength is taken on the strength on January 26th, 1928, and posted to the Portuguese Company—No. 1296 Pte. F. A. Castro.

15.—Appointment.
The following extract from the Hong Kong Government Gazette No. 4, dated January 26th, 1928, is published for information:—

"H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Corporal Henry Russell Forsyth to be Second Lieutenant, in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from January 14th, 1928."

16.—Promotion.
H.E. the Governor has been pleased to approve of the promotion of Second Lieutenant Robert Spier Logan to the rank of Lieutenant in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from January 26th, 1928.

17.—Command.
Lieut. R. S. Logan takes over command of the Engineer Company, Field Section, as from January 26th, 1928, vice Major R. Melville Smith, M.B.E., on leave.

18.—Officers' Mess Committee.
Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin will take over P.M.C. from Captain Sir Eric Stuart Taylor, Bart., O.B.E., as from February 1st, 1928.

Members:—Lieut. A. Addis Martin and 2/Lieut. H. Owen Hughes.

19.—Transfer.
No. 878 Pte. W. Paterson is transferred from the Armoured Car Company to the Reserve Company, as from January 18th, 1928.

20.—Reversion.
No. 531 Corp. W. L. Smith, No. 1 Platoon, reverts to the ranks at his own request, as from December 16th, 1927.

21.—Resignations.
The following are permitted to resign from the Corps on leaving the Colony, from January 16th, 1928:—

No. 980 Pte. J. A. Summers, No. 7 Platoon.
No. 379 Pte. R. W. Stoddart, Reserve Company.
No. 344 Pte. W. J. Brown, Reserve Company.
No. 1148 Pte. S. O. Gregory, No. 2 Platoon.

Having completed three years' service and claimed his discharge, as from January 17th, 1928:—
No. 540 Pte. J. A. H. Plummer, No. 1 Platoon.
R. A. Wolfe Murray, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.
Hong Kong, January 27th, 1927.

NOTICE.

Portuguese Company Rifle Club.
First shoot of the year will take place at Peak Range on Sunday, January 29th. Firing commences 9 a.m. sharp. Only those detailed by Rifle Club Committee to attend.

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps Musketry Programme.

PART I. TABLE "T" 1928.

Stonecutters Range.

Sunday, February 5th:—
Portuguese Company.

February 12th:—
Reserve Company.

February 19th:—
Infantry Company.

February 26th:—
Scottish Company.

March 5th:—
Scottish Company.

March 11th:—
Field Section and Corps Signals.

March 18th:—
M.I. and A.C. Companies.

March 25th:—
Reserve Company.

April 1st:—
Scottish Company.

April 8th:—
Rifle Meeting.

April 15th:—
Rifle Meeting.

April 22nd:—
Artillery Company.

April 29th:—
Portuguese Company.

May 6th:—
Infantry Company.

May 13th:—
Artillery Company.

May 20th:—
Field Section and Corps Signals.

May 27th:—
M.I. and A.C. Companies.

May 31st:—
Casuals.

R. A. Wolfe Murray, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.
Hong Kong, January 27th, 1927.

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Paris	134
Brussels	34.96
Amsterdam	12.04
Berlin	20.44
Copenhagen	18.20
Geneva	34.575
Helsingfors	12.03
Lisbon	21
Bucharest	700
Buenos Aires	477
New York	4.87.15/32
Geneva	25.31
Milan	62.10
Stockholm	18.18
Oslo	18.315
Prague	704
Madrid	28.225
Athens	36.73
Rio	5.30.32
Bombay	1/8.1/16
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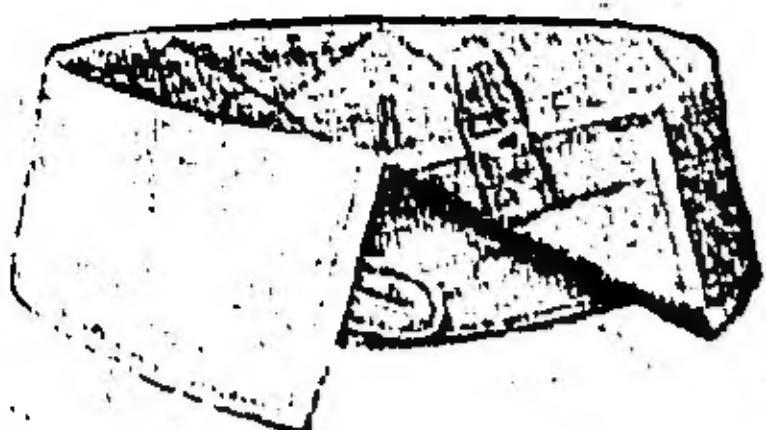
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JANUARY 26TH, 1928.

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Do. London	\$1,800
Chartered Bank	\$214 buy
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	\$232.50 nom.
Do.	\$214 nom.
P. & O. Bank	\$210 nom.
East Asia Bank	\$274 buy
Canton Insurance	\$590 buy
Swansea	\$22.10 nom.
North China Ins.	\$22.10 nom.
Yangtze Insurance	\$22.10 nom.
China Underwriters	\$22.10 nom.
China Fire Insurance	\$22.10 nom.
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Do. (Prof.)	\$22.10 nom.
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Do. (new)	\$22.10 nom.
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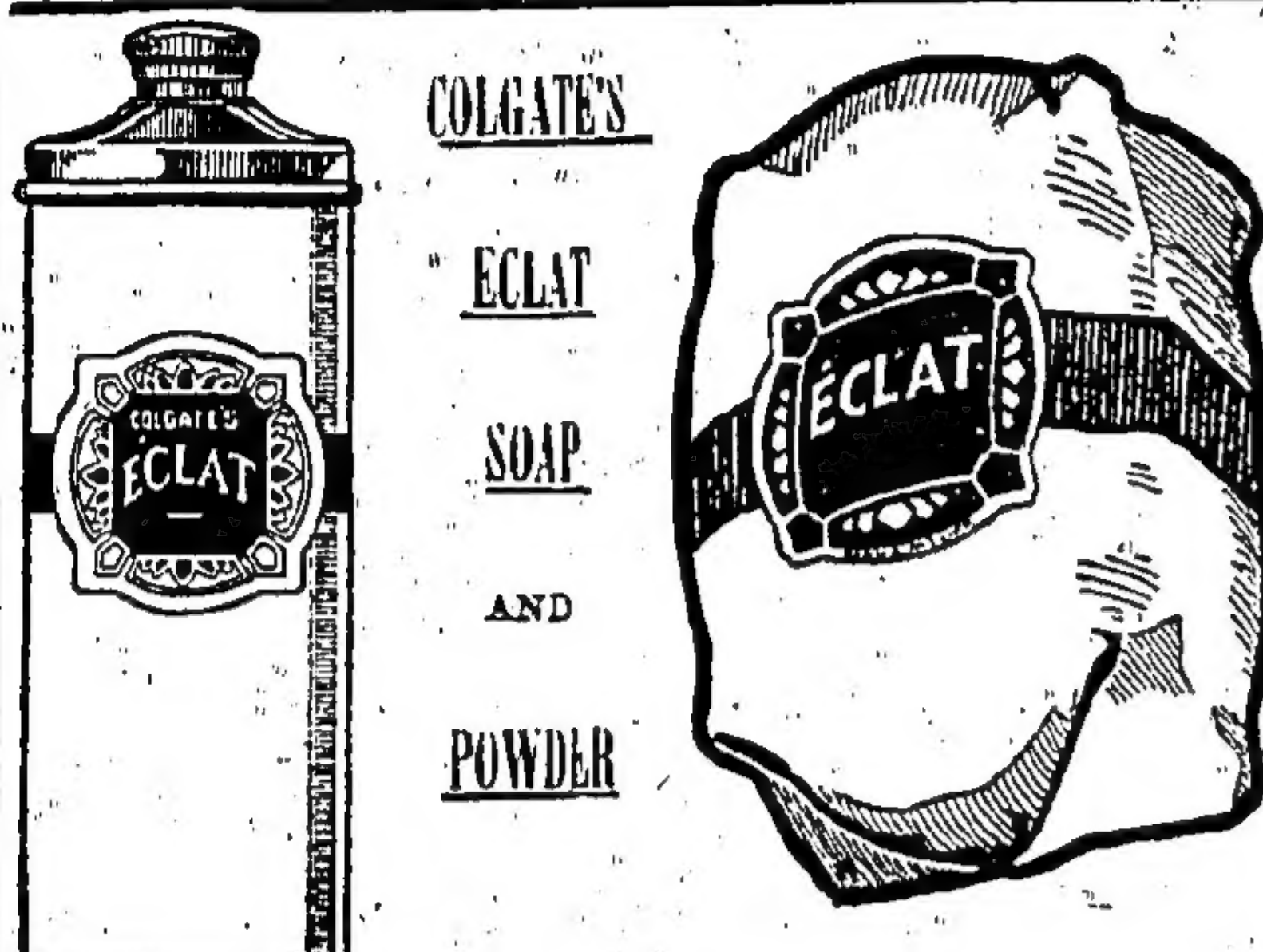
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PUBLIC SERVANTS AND MONEY-LENDERS.

VALIDITY OF PROMISSORY NOTES.

ALLOWANCES NOT COUNTED AS SUBSTANTIVE PAY.

PLAINTIFF NON-SUITED.

The question of the validity in law of a promissory note made out by a Civil Servant in favour of a registered moneylender was raised, not for the first time, at the Summary Court yesterday, before the Puisse Judge (Mr. Justice Wood).

Kartar Singh, watchman and registered moneylender, 44, Nathan Road, ground floor, sued Mr. T. J. Falla, a prison warder, for \$877.80 in respect of three promissory notes, two being signed on November 10th, 1926, for \$450 and \$200, and a third for \$120 receiving signature on April 1st, last year. This included interest totalling \$107.80, at the rate of two per cent. per month.

Mr. Horace Lo appeared for plaintiff and defendant conducted his own case.

Giving evidence, plaintiff said that the defendant signed all the notes, but nothing had been paid. He agreed, in reply to his Lordship, that he knew at the time Falla signed the notes that "he" was a warder at Lanchihok branch prison.

The defendant, giving evidence, said he held a permanent appointment under the Government as a warder on the prison staff. He was appointed warder on August 24th, 1921, on a salary of £160 per annum, rising by annual increments of £10 to £240.

At the time when he signed the notes, his salary was \$210 per annum. The three documents were in respect of loans.

In reply to his Lordship, defendant said \$8 per month was deducted for the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. He received free quarters, food, light, and uniform.

His Lordship: I understand it was not your wish to raise the Public Servants' Liability Ordinance as a defence?—Yes.

Do you wish to dispute your liability in any way?—No.

His Lordship: The question to be decided is whether the defendant is protected by the Ordinance. Mr. Lo submitted that plaintiff was entitled to judgment on the evidence. It was not his duty to argue that the defendant was or was not entitled to be protected by the Ordinance.

His Lordship: I have asked you to do that because that is the only point you have to meet.

Mr. Lo said that the defendant had given evidence that he was a public servant and it was necessary to show if he received any protection under the Ordinance. Section 3 of Ordinance 10, 1917, stated that no action shall be maintained against a public servant upon certain conditions being involved. One was upon any promise, express or implied, to repay money paid or advanced to him, or upon any bill of exchange or promissory note given by him. Under the first condition of Section 3, the defendant was within the Ordinance, but under Section 3 of the same section it stated that the first section should not apply to a public servant whose pay at the time when the debt was contracted did not exceed \$200 per month, exclusive of any allowance.

Salary Or Allowance?

The defendant had told the Court that on the material dates he received over \$200 a month, being \$210 on the first date and \$220 when the last note was signed. He was entitled to have his salary converted at the rate of \$12 to the pound.

His Lordship: Except for the operation of Government Order 101, the defendant is protected?

Mr. Lo: I quite agree.

Mr. Lo continued that all the Court was entitled to determine was whether, on the material dates, the defendant was in fact receiving a salary of over \$200 monthly. It would be most arbitrary to consider that a certain portion of a salary would be a mere allowance. Some Government servants did receive allowances, but in those cases they would be paid entirely differently.

Mr. Lo continued that when he was before his Lordship on a previous occasion, his Lordship had expressed the opinion that he might not have jurisdiction at all as soon as he had evidence before him that the defendant was a public servant. His Lordship was there impressed with the words of Sub-Section 3 in which it said "No action shall be maintained," which appeared to be prohibitive.

The Decision.

His Lordship, in giving his decision, thanked Mr. Lo for arguing the legal points.

Continuing, his Lordship said the action was brought on three promissory notes made by the defendant and given by him to the plaintiff. The defendant was quite clear in his view as to what he wanted done. He had no wish to offer any defence, and he did not desire to depart in the least from any part of his bargain.

The question which he (his Lordship) had to decide was whether, in the circumstances, he was bound to consider the Public Servants' Liability Ordinance (10) of 1917, and also whether, if he had to consider that Ordinance, the Ordinance itself provided protection to the defendant in the action.

His Lordship said his view was that the Public Servants' Liability Ordinance, 1917, operated in the proceedings, whether it was formally pleaded or not, also whether the defendant desired its protection or not. Section 4 of that Ordinance provided that proceedings and documents in or incidental to an action in contravention of the Ordinance should be absolutely null and void for all purposes, whether the Ordinance be raised as a defence or not.

The view which he held was that when "once" it had appeared, in any action brought on a promissory note, against a public servant, that the defendant was, in fact a public servant as defined by Section 2, Sub-Section 3 of the Ordinance, then the Court was *prima facie* without jurisdiction to entertain the action, unless it could be shown that that particular public servant came within the exception contained in Section 3, Sub-Section 3 of the Ordinance.

The definition of a public servant was "A public servant means any person holding any permanent appointment, the emoluments of which are wholly or in part directly derived from the revenue of the Colony." Section 3 provided that no action should be maintained against a public servant upon a promissory note given by him, but provided also that that section should not apply to any public servant whose substantive pay, on the date when the liability sought to be enforced was contracted, exceeded \$200 per month, exclusive of any allowances.

Wherever the onus of proof might be, the Court might pursue for itself an enquiry as to whether any public servant came within that exception or not. "It is not here material to decide, where the onus of proof in this matter lies. In my view the onus is upon the plaintiff to establish his right to maintain an action on a promissory note against a public servant."

Substantive Pay.

In considering the evidence, the question arose for decision as to whether the defendant was a public servant whose substantive pay exceeded, on the date when the liability was contracted, \$200 monthly, exclusive of any allowances.

On the material dates the defendant received actually on his pay sheet the sum of \$210 monthly. Some portion of that amount was received by him in consequence of the operation of the Hong Kong Government General Order No. 101. Without the operation of that Order, it was agreed that his receipts at any material time were less than \$200 monthly.

The view which he (his Lordship) had hitherto held, and which he still held, was that the additional payment to which a public servant became entitled under General Order No. 101 was in the nature of an allowance and was not in the nature of substantive pay. It was to be noted in the General Orders of the Government that the Order was at privileged rates of exchange. In addition, it was an allowance that could only be drawn while the servant was in the Colony. It would appear that if the servant was outside the Colony and his salary was drawn inside the Colony by his attorney, then that additional sum would not be payable as part of his salary to his attorney. It was quite distinct from any salary quoted in the schedule as attached to a permanent appointment. Substantive pay was the salary of a permanent appointment.

Concluding, his Lordship said for those reasons he was of the opinion that the substantive pay at all material times was less than \$200, exclusive of allowances, that the defendant was within the protection provided under the Public Servants' Liability Ordinance, 1917, and that being so, the Court was without jurisdiction to entertain the action.

"I therefore non-suit the plaintiff with costs."

Mr. Lo remarked that he understood the plaintiff would take the case to a higher Court.

(Continued on next Column.)

A 'BUS CONDUCTOR'S LAPSE.

GAMBLER WITH THE COLLECTIONS.

GAOL WITHOUT THE OPTION.

Before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a conductor employed by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company pleaded guilty to a charge of embezzling the sum of \$18.55 from his employers.

Sub-Inspector Dick informed his Worship that the defendant collected \$45.55 on January 23rd (Chinese New Year day), and instead of paying in that amount, together with \$1 which he received for change before going on duty, he absconded. The following day an Indian watchman employed by the Company found the defendant at his house. On the defendant was the account showing that he had collected \$45.55.

In reply to his Worship, the defendant said he had lost it in gambling.

Defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour without the option of fine.

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A. "Après un rêve" Faure-Elman.

B. "Tasse-fried" Delibes-Elman.

Violin: Mr. JOHN BRAGA.

A. "Si mes Vies avaient des Ailes" Reynaldo Hahn.

B. "Serenade du Passant" Massenet.

Mr. LE CHOR CHU.

Accompanist: Prof. E. GUALDI.

A. "La Cathédrale engloutie" Debussy.

B. "La danse de Puck" Mrs. HARGREAVES BROWNE.

A. "Les Papillons" E. Chausson.

B. "Romance" Debussy.

Mrs. SANGER.

A. "Méditation de Thais" Massenet.

B. "Le Cygne" Saint-Saens.

Violin: Mr. JOHN BRAGA.

A. "La Maison Grise" from "Fortin" Messager.

B. "Pourquoi me Réveiller" from "Werther" Massenet.

Mr. LE CHOR CHU.

Accompanist: Prof. E. GUALDI.

A. "Petites Litanies de Jésus" G. Grovlez.

B. "Les jardins sous la pluie" Debussy.

Mrs. HARGREAVES BROWNE.

A. "Élégie" Massenet.

B. "Mon cœur s'ouvre à la voix" Saint-Saens.

Mrs. SANGER.

Violin obligato: Mr. JOHN BRAGA.

ANOTHER CLAIM.

MONEYLENDER AGAIN NON-SUITED.

Following the above there was a similar claim case, in which another Indian moneylender, Bishen Singh, of 33, Cochran Street, sued T. J. Falla, of Lai Chi Kok Branch Prison, for the sum of \$230, which included money borrowed under a promissory note and also \$50 lent under an I.O.U. The promissory note was dated August 16th, 1926, and I.O.U. March 4th, 1927.

The details of the claim were: \$200 principal under the promissory note; five months' interest at two per cent. per month; \$20; and I.O.U. \$50.

Parties were not legally represented.

Plaintiff gave evidence bearing out his claim, and defendant denied that he owed the amount he was sued for. He said that on one occasion a friend of his borrowed from plaintiff the sum of \$200. Witness owed this friend \$20, and the friend asked him to pay the \$20 to plaintiff. Witness had not got the money and signed a chit to plaintiff for \$40, and paid \$4 a month until he went on leave.

When he returned, he was threatened with Court action, and signed a note. He had only received \$20, but he signed a note for \$200.

His Lordship (Mr. Justice Wood) held that with regard to the promissory note on the date it was signed, defendant's salary was not more than \$200 a month, and that therefore he was protected by the Ordinance. Therefore, the claim on that note failed. The claim with regard to the I.O.U. also failed, because of the reasons he had set out in the previous case relating to such claims.

His Lordship, therefore, non-suited plaintiff, as in the case given above.

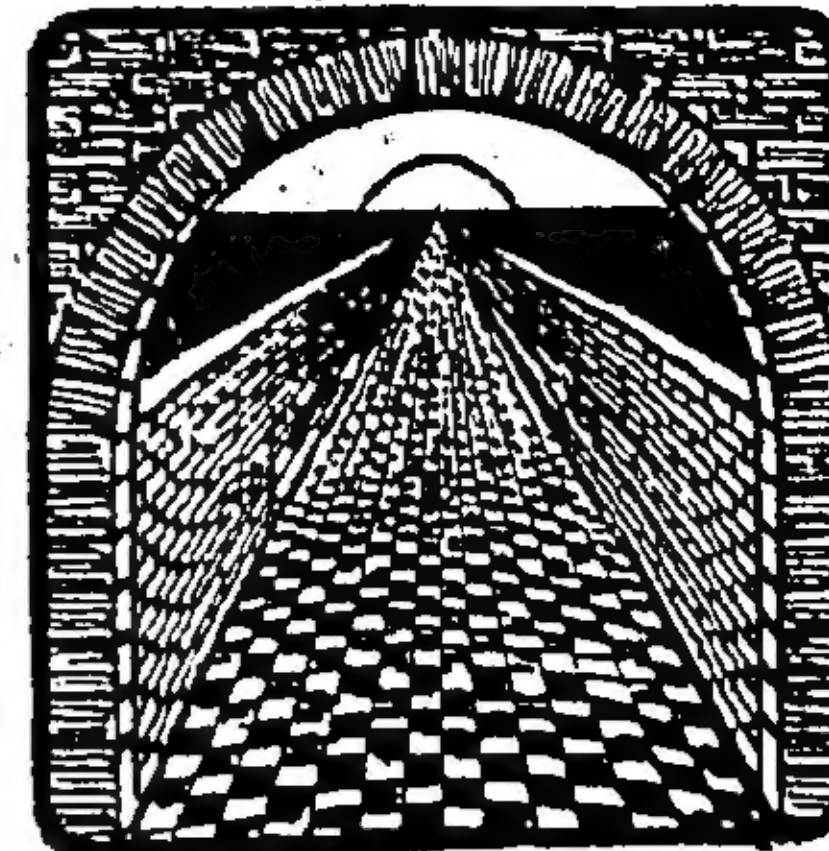
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MURDER AT KOWLOON CITY.

INQUEST. OPENED YESTERDAY.

An attempt at armed robbery, which resulted in the murder of a Chinese at No. 23, Tung Tau village, Kowloon City, at the end of November last, was recalled at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when Mr. W. Schofield, sitting as Coroner, opened an inquest into the death of this man.

Evidence given was to the effect that on the night in question another Chinese heard cries of "save life" and "armed robbery." The cries appeared to have been made by a woman. The witness ran out

and blew a police whistle. The police arrived soon after and deceased was found dead on his bed. The deceased was a bean curd master, it was stated, and had a woman foki, who seems to have disappeared.

Medical evidence was given by Dr. Dovey, who stated that he found on the body of deceased a severe wound in the chest. The wound had penetrated the left lung and entered the pericardium of the heart. The laceration of the lung caused death. There were several other minor injuries. The edges of the wound were regular, and the wound must have been caused by a curved sharp weapon.

After further evidence, the inquest was adjourned until next Wednesday.

AFTERMATH OF
NEW YEAR.UNEMPLOYMENT IN
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DISTRICTS.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

A large number of persons have been thrown out of employment in Canton since January 24th, the second day of the Chinese New Year. This was expected now that the ancient right of employers to engage or dismiss *fuks* is once more in force. The free exercise of the prerogative must be attributed to the fact that last year and uncertainty as to the future. Many employers now prefer a daily or monthly to an annual agreement. Professional labour agitators have undermined the discipline of the workers to such an extent that no one is going to saddle himself for a year with one of Borodin's possible adherents. Many small shop owners in Canton have placed only their relatives on their permanent employment list, and the large shops are retaining only those who are absolutely faithful and indispensable.

Not until next Monday, and in some cases not until the 15th day of the Chinese New Year (February 6th) will the number be known of firms, big and small, which will close down. Fear is being expressed that many native banks and a large number of weaving and knitting factories may very much prolong their New Year "holidays".

Apprehension is growing in Canton that the Authorities may levy another \$10,000,000 contribution from the trading community in the form of "loans". The memory is strong of last September's demands when bankers were forced to lend 60 per cent. of their registered capital to the Central Bank of China in Canton. The proceeds were to have gone towards the rehabilitation of the Bank but the money has never been accounted for and the present value of the Bank's notes is less than 60 per cent.

New Year holidays in the Customs Service in Canton came to an end yesterday and all river boats plying between Canton, Hong Kong and Wuchow resumed service last night or will do so to-day.

At Wuchow there is a good deal of apprehension of a "Red" outbreak, and the Authorities are refusing persons who cannot give reliable references to land at the port. Many large firms, while re-opening before next Sunday, have decided to curtail their business until the fiscal policy of the Administration is clearly laid down. There is a fear that the Central Bank notes will continue to drop and that the Administration will ignore the notes by requiring certain taxes to be paid in specie and ordering higher rates if payment is made in notes.

BRIGANDS AND REDS.

Taking advantage of the critical military situation on the East River Sector, where both the 4th Army (Kwangtung) and the 7th Army (Kwangsi Chique) have lost heavily since the middle of the month in the struggle for Swatow, pirates and bandits along the West and the North Rivers have been exceedingly active, and several junk lines between Canton City and inland water ports have failed to resume their services after the New Year. Swatow, by the way, is still held by the Kwangsi troops.

The "Reds" appear to have failed in their attempt to set up a "Soviet Government" in Northern Kwangtung but are still strong in the Huifung and the Lukfung Districts. In Kwangsi the "Reds" have destroyed many houses and murdered a number of inhabitants in Lokong and Pingshih but they have failed to gain any substantial ground anywhere.

POLITICS.

Canton merchants, in addition to facing local problems, are also watching developments in Nanking, Hankow, and Changsha. Should General Chiang Kai Shek be able to extend his power over Canton that would mean that his following and not General Li Tsai Hsin's would control the revenue of Kwangtung. Canton people consider General Li's regime the lesser of the two evils. What Kwangtung loses may be Kwangsi's gain. The Cantonese have a strong influence in Kwangsi and a large number of merchants last year enjoyed peaceful and prosperous trade there. The Kwangsi Administration is spending millions on public works, giving employment to decent work people, while the lazy and useless are sent to Kwangtung for military service.

The Province of Kwangsi expects to hold an industrial exhibition some time next autumn and is hoping for the co-operation of foreign merchants.

(Continued on next Column.)

MACAO STUDENTS.

VISIT TO HONG KONG
TO-DAY.PROGRAMME OF SIGHT-
SEEING AND TENNIS
MATCHES.

Over one hundred students from the Lyceum Central de Macao will visit Hong Kong to-day. To be exact the number are 33 girls and 76 boys; they will be accompanied by the Rector of the Lyceum, Senhor Borges Delgado and nine of the staff, 4 ladies and 5 gentlemen. For a colony the size of Macao it is well provided for in the matter of educational facilities and the Lyceum is a preparatory college for the universities of Portugal. There is an examination every year for 2 or 3 students from Macao to take a university career at the cost of the Government of Macao. The present Governor of Macao was a student of the Lyceum and so were his brothers, including Senhor Joao Tamagnini Barbosa who later held the portfolios of Finance and Navy, successively, in the Ministry in Lisbon.

Today's Programme.

The party will arrive from Macao by the s.s. *Sui Tai* at noon and will be received by representatives of the Portuguese associations in Hong Kong. The visitors will be accommodated in the St. Francis Hotel.

By courtesy of the Vice-Chancellor and professorial staff of the Hong Kong University the Portuguese students will visit the University at 2.30 p.m. to-day. At 5.30 p.m. there will be a reception at the Club Lusitano when the Committee and members of the Club will be "at home" to their friends.

In the evening commencing at 9 p.m. the Lyceum students will give a concert at the "Star" Theatre. The programme consists of a variety of musical items including a few Portuguese folk songs with violin and guitar accompaniments. The proceeds of the concert will be in aid of the "Caixa Academica", i.e., the Academy Funds—for the benefit of poor students attending the Lyceum.

Visit To Kowloon Docks.

The programme for Saturday includes a visit to the Docks at Kowloon, permission having been kindly given by Mr. E. Cock, acting chief manager, who has placed a steam-launch at the disposal of the visitors.

On Saturday afternoon tennis matches have been arranged between the visitors and the Club de Recreio on the Club's ground in King's Park. Following tennis, the members of the Club de Recreio will hold a tea-party.

The party will return by the morning boat on Sunday.

CROWN LAND SALE.

At the offices of the Public Works Department yesterday afternoon, there was a sale of Crown Land. The land put up for auction was New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1119, which is adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1095, Prince Edward Road.

The area is 3,380 square feet, and the land was knocked down at the upset price, without any advance being made, the figure being \$3,380, or \$1 per square foot.

Messrs. Hui Ka Tung, Hu Ka Pik and Hu Ka Tsang of 12 Cornhill Road Central, were the purchasers.

The annual Crown rental in respect of this lot is \$18, and in addition the purchaser has to pay \$25 for boundary stones required to define the lot, and \$30 for the Crown Lease.

LI FUK LAM'S FORMER
COMMAND RESTIVE.

(Wah Keung Po.)

It is reported that Tang In Wa, the present Commander-in-Chief of the 5th Army, has tendered his resignation. Tang Sai Tsing, a Canton garrison commander, being appointed to succeed him. The 5th Army—ironically called the "Paper Sides"—have been restored since the retirement of General Li Fuk Lam who had commanded them since the Republic was founded.

THE WAR ON THE UNIONS

(Wah Keung Po.)

The Chamber of Commerce at Canton has petitioned the Canton Government to dissolve the Union of Shop Employees. They say that many members of that Union are communists and are trying to ruin business by perpetually increasing wages and decreasing working hours until all profits are swallowed up. The petition ended by saying that if the Union is allowed to continue business at Canton would be ruined.

CANTON TREASURY AND THE
"IRONSIDES."

A THREE-DAY FINANCE COMMISSIONER CHARGED.

MONEY FOR CHIANG KAI SHEK AND T. V. SOONG?

CASE OPENED AT CENTRAL MAGISTRACY.

The case against the two officials of the Central Bank of China at Canton, who are alleged to have stolen about a million dollars, was again before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Much of interest was stated during the course of the proceedings. It was said that one of the defendants, Wong Chung Chu, was made Finance Commissioner by the "Ironsides" during their short regime, and that in the course of three days, he had succeeded in diverting this huge sum from the treasury vaults. Some of this money was intended, it was alleged, for General Chiang Kai Shek and some for Mr. T. V. Soong.

"THE TANNERY LOAN."

The prosecution stated that in order to induce the compradore of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at Shanghai to accept Chinese subsidiary coins for Hong Kong currency, Wong Chung Chu, in his capacity as Finance Commissioner, offered to repay an old loan of \$200,000 to the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. This transaction, in which the brother of the compradore of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank was held responsible to the bank, was called the "Tannery Loan."

ONE DISCHARGED.

At the outset of yesterday morning's proceedings, the second defendant, Chiu Pok Shan, was discharged on the ground that he was a British subject and, therefore, could not be charged under an extradition warrant. There were 11 charges against Wong Chung Chu, which were reduced to three at the afternoon sitting: Mr. Sheldon, for the prosecution, being unable to offer evidence to substantiate the others.

Legal arguments put forward by Mr. Eldon Potter, for the defence, in the afternoon were particularly interesting. He criticised the case as contrary to British justice and submitted that it should not go before a jury. He pointed out to His Worship that the opening by the Crown suggested no evidence of criminality on the part of the accused. The case, he said, reeked with police from the beginning to the end.

The case will be continued this afternoon.

Wong Chung Chu, Finance Commissioner, and Chiu Pok Shan, manager of the Central Bank of China, both appointed to their posts subsequent to the recent "Reds" upheaval, were charged at the Central Magistracy under an extradition warrant with the larceny of several sums of money amounting to about one million dollars.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. M. K. Lo, appeared for the defence, while Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, conducted the case for the prosecution on behalf of the Crown.

At the commencement, Mr. Sheldon told the Court that he would not proceed against the second defendant as the Crown was satisfied that he is not a national of China. The accused, Chiu Pok Shan, was then accordingly discharged.

No Requisition From Canton.

In proceeding with the case against the first defendant, Wong Chung Chu, Mr. Sheldon told the Magistrate that as yet he had received no requisition from Canton. He added that with the Court's consent and that of the defending Counsel, he would like to open his case. This was not an irregular procedure, he suggested, but nevertheless, he would like to have Mr. Potter's undertaking that exception would not be taken at a later stage.

Mr. Potter said that the only remark he would make was that if there ever was a case which failed under Section 8 of the Extradition Ordinance, it was the one now before the Court. He would, therefore, ask His Worship to exercise the authority vested in him by that Ordinance and discharge the defendant.

Mr. Potter also reminded the Court that the defendant was arrested on January 26th, 1927, on a warrant issued by the Canton Government, and that he was brought to Canton. It was, therefore, futile to suggest that the authorities in Canton were acting under any difficulty which prevented them from putting the law into motion. He also pointed out that there had been no attempt to explain the delay, or not they (the Canton authorities) expected his Worship to wait upon them.

Mr. Potter also pointed out that the prosecution could re-arrest the defendant.

The Court's Dignity.

In reply, Mr. Sheldon said that the defendants were arrested less than a month ago, and that extradition was applied for less than a fortnight ago. Extradition documents, he said, had to pass through diplomatic channels and they moved very slowly. As he was willing to proceed with the case, he would say that there had never been a case where such delay was shown.

Mr. Potter disagreed saying that his experience with similar cases had been that the requisition had always come down promptly. He concluded by saying that the time had come for the Court to make a firm stand, and if this was not done

Money For General Chiang.

On December 26th, Wong again instructed the officer in charge of the Deposits, Loans and Remittances Department to buy \$200,000 Hong Kong currency to be remitted to General Chiang Kai Shek.

This officer carried out the instruction but his efforts were only partially successful, as he could only procure \$10,000 Hong Kong money. He made a report to Wong that it would take several days to complete the purchase, and remarking that it would be too late, Wong instructed the officer to take \$700,000 from the Reserve into Shanghai in order to obtain a loan for the requisite amount.

Liberality.

On the same date Wong ordered that \$171,000 be paid to him for the purpose of a bonus to the staff. Almost immediately another order was given that a similar sum be turned over to pay the staff salaries for January in advance.

As regards these two sums the prosecution alleges that the bonus was never paid out and that some of the money supposedly for advance salaries was also withheld.

Mr. Potter: Can we tell what charge the order for payment of salaries falls under? Also we would like to be told where exactly is the salary, what is the salary, and the salary of what. All this is necessary.

Mr. Sheldon: Nothing unfair will be done to your client if I can help it.

Mr. Potter: Not by you. I would like my friend to understand that anything I may say in this Court is impersonal. It is directly against your client, the Canton Government.

Mr. Lindsell: The Hong Kong Government. Mr. Sheldon represents the Crown.

Mr. Potter: So it has been ruled. But his late client is the Chinese Government.

Willing To Pay Off "Tannery Loan."

Continuing, Mr. Sheldon said that on December 26th, \$250,000 in silver coin and \$30,000 in Hong Kong currency were paid out by the cashier on documents signed by Wong. In addition to this another sum of \$50,000 was also paid out by the Internal Loan Bureau of the Central Bank for the purpose of paying off National Debts.

The fugitive (Wong) was also said to have tried to secure loans against the subsidiary coins taken to Shanghai and deposited with the National City Bank of New York and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. There were 209 cases containing \$200,000 in coin in the Comptroller Department of the National City Bank of New York. Both banks, however, refuse to advance anything against the Chinese coins in the absence of instructions from their respective Hong Kong offices. Next day the specie was removed to the Hong Kong Bank, where Mr. Dunnett, the manager, would only accept the custody of 148 cases.

There the fugitive negotiated with Mr. Chan Lim Chung, compradore of the Hong Kong Bank, to buy from him \$500,000 Hong Kong currency. He also promised to wipe out the debt of \$200,000 called the "Tannery Loan" on which loan the brother of Mr. Chan Lim Chung was held responsible to the Hong Kong Bank.

With regard to the 60 cases of specie which Mr. Dunnett refused to accept, the fugitive was said to have asked the Compradore of the Hong Kong Bank to dispose of them and that their equivalent in Hong Kong money, amounting to \$180,632, was sent to the Bank of East Asia in Hong Kong.

The Compradore of the Hong Kong Bank at Shanghai was given two slips; the first related to an amount of \$118,233 to be remitted to one Chu San at the Bank of East Asia at Hong Kong, and the other related to \$50,000 to be paid to Mr. T. V. Soong at Shanghai.

Eight Charges Withdrawn.

At the afternoon hearing, Mr. Sheldon informed the Court that he would have to withdraw charges 3 to 10, and would only proceed with charges 1, 2 and 11.

Dealing with the amount sent to Chu San, Mr. Sheldon said that the sum was duly forwarded by the Compradore of the Hong Kong Bank at Canton through the Tak Wing Bank to the Wing Sang Bank here. A letter was also sent instructing the Tak Wing Bank to pay the money over to Chu San at the Bank of East Asia. The money intended for Mr. T. V. Soong was not withdrawn and is now held by Mr. Doyle of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank at Shanghai.

The money for Chu San arrived here on January 5th, and on the same day a man calling himself Chu San went to the Tak Wing Bank and requested the money to be paid over to the Bank of East Asia. The money was accordingly paid over, but later in the day, two foks from the Bank of East Asia went back to the Tak Wing Bank and requested them to remove the money saying that there was a mistake somewhere and they did not want to have the money in their bank.

Prior to that Chu San and another man went to the Bank of East Asia, where Chu San was known to an employee there as Chu Tit San. He went to the Telegraphic Transfer Department and signed an application for the money to be transferred to T. V. Soong at Shanghai. He signed the application in the name of Chu San.

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FENGTIEN LEADERS' CONFERENCE.

NEARING A CONCLUSION.

NO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT MADE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, Jan. 26th.

The Fengtien leaders' conference is nearing a conclusion. Chang Teung Chang, Sun Chuan-fang and Chu Yu-pu having already left for their headquarters for the purpose of preparing for an offensive against Feng Yu-hsiang.

While no official announcement has been made, it is learned from a reliable source that an agreement has been reached upon all political matters. The conference agreed to support Chang Teung Chang in all the changes it was proposed should be made. At present it is unknown exactly what these are likely to be.

HUNAN CITIES CAPTURED BY KWANGSI TROOPS.

(Wah Keng Po.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26th.

Ping Kiang and Changsha were captured by Kwangsi forces on the 22nd and 24th, respectively. General Pei Sung-hsi arriving in Changsha on the 26th. The defeated Hunanese retreated towards the Southern part of Hunan and Liu Yang, to the east of Hunan bordering Kiangsi.

YANG SEN RETREATING TO ICHANG.

(Wah Keng Po.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26th.

General Wei Yik Sun's 30th Army and General Lo Teh Ping's 2nd Army captured Shasi on 20th. General Yang Sen's troops are retreating to Ichang. General Yang has sent representatives to meet General Lo Teh Ping to make arrangements regarding surrender terms.

TANG SENG CHI "IN DISGUISE."

(Wah Keng Po.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26th.

It is reported that General Tang Seng Chi, Commander-in-Chief of the Hunanese forces recently returned from Japan and that he is proceeding to Hankow in disguise.

HUNANESE TROOPS DEFEATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26th.

Japanese reports received here state that the Hunan troops severely defeated the Hunanese at Ping-hsing on Monday. General Ho Chien's forces were driven back with severe losses from Liu Hsiang towards Changsha.

The sixth and thirteenth armies are expected to enter Changsha to-day.

U.S.A. AND NICARAGUA. SANDINO'S STRONGHOLD OCCUPIED.

U.S. SENATOR'S PROTEST.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MANAGUA, Jan. 25th.

The United States Marines which left on the expedition against General Sandino's stronghold in the hills has occupied the district without resistance.

The stronghold was on the El Chapote Mountain which was bombed by U.S. aeroplanes on January 16th.

Discussion by Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26th.

The Senate's Foreign Relations Committee has discussed the Administration's Nicaraguan policy and is undecided whether to recommend an investigation.

Senator Borah, Chairman of the Committee, who favours a "constructive inquiry" which, he is of opinion, might be useful towards generally improving relations with the Latin American Republics, stated at the conclusion of the meeting, that the matter would be again brought up.

Meanwhile, the Republican Senator Blaine, has brought up the matter in the Senate itself with a protest against the employment of marines in Nicaragua.

WORLD AIR-SPEED RECORD.

AN ATTEMPT TO BE MADE AT CALSHOT.

SUPER-NAPIER SEAPLANE TO BE USED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 25th.

It is learned that the Air Ministry has decided to make an attempt at Calshot in March on a World Air Speed Record, which is at present held by the Italian pilot, Major Di Bernardi.

The machine used will be a supermarine Napier seaplane of the type used in the Schneider Cup Trophy race, but the pilot has not yet been selected.

BRITISH TRADE BOOM.

A GLOWING PROPHECY.

OPTIMISTIC SPEECH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

A glowing prophecy of improvement in British trading figures was made by Mr. A. M. Samuel, the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in the course of a speech at the Working Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Samuel declared that the industrial activity in the Home market was greater than had ever been seen before, while simultaneously the British export industries were meeting with more success against their foreign competitors.

What The Figures Show. He pointed out that the official figures for 1927 showed an adverse balance of £12,000,000 in British overseas trade, but his calculations had led him to the conclusion that Great Britain would record a favourable balance for 1927 of at least £75,000,000.

The trade barometer has been showing, and is showing, a steady rise, notwithstanding the fact that some basic industries, especially the Lancashire cotton factories, were doing badly.

Mr. Samuel gave an instance of Britain's advance in pointing out that in bio-chemical products we easily lead the world.

AMERICA'S JINGOES. PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S REBUKE.

AN "ICY BUCKET."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Jan. 25th.

President Coolidge's declaration yesterday, recommending those charged with the nation's defence to follow a policy considering the welfare of the country in public statements, has been featured by the Press as a very apt rebuke to Admiral Plunkett's war warning.

The New York World, in the course of an editorial, says that it is "weary of the loose talk going on. There is worldly horse-sense about the rebuke, which is more devastating than indignation. Mr. Coolidge thereby is pouring the icest bucket of cold water down the spine of jingoism that has been poured for a long time."

Admiral Plunkett Retiring and Going Into Business.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, January 26th.

Admiral Plunkett, whose remarks on the subject of war evoked a rebuke from President Coolidge, is retiring on February 15th. He announces his intention of going into business.

CHILEAN OIL WELLS. WITHDRAWAL OF CONCESSIONS SOUGHT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Jan. 25th.

A message received from Santiago de Chile states that the Minister of Finance has asked the Chilean Congress to enact a law suspending all petroleum concessions.

A Chile Deputy has drafted a Bill providing that the Chilean Government appoint officials to study the best means of making all oil deposits in Chile available to purely Chilean interests.

The Chamber's Approval.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

SANTIAGO, January 26th.

The Chamber approved of the Bill suspending the oil concessions except to Chilean subjects and voted ten million pesos to permit the Government to investigate the country's oil resources.

STORMY WEATHER IN U.S.A.

LOSS OF LIFE AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

TWO SCHOONERS ASHORE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Jan. 26th.

A gale, which has been raging during the past two days, has caused loss of life and damage to property in Tennessee, where 70 miles-an-hour gusts demolished whole rows of wooden houses along the beaches.

Two schooners are ashore on the New England coast.

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE.

THANKS THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26th.

In the House of Representatives applause was evoked on the reading of a letter from President Cosgrave, thanking the American people for the part they played in winning freedom for their Irish people.

THE GERMAN ARMS AGITATION.

OFFICERS NAMED.

REICHSTAG MEMBER NOT SATISFIED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BERLIN, Jan. 25th.

Pointing out that the names of officers belonging to the Navy Department had actually been published in the newspapers as among those implicated in the Kiel arms seizure, Herr Stöcker, a Communist member, who put the question to Dr. Stresemann yesterday, said in the Reichstag to-day that he considered the Foreign Minister's denials to be unsound.

It might, he said, be perfectly true that the Navy Department itself had not been directly concerned with the proposed shipment, but the fact remained that officers in the Department had been named.

Dr. Stresemann, in reply, expressed the opinion that the Navy Department's denial of the rumours meant that no individual member of its staff was involved.

Names Published. According to the Berliner Tageblatt, the Ministry of Defence contends that the name of the Transport Section has apparently been misused by private firms for business purposes, and has told its representative that the Ministry is supporting police enquiries into the affair to the utmost.

The Berliner Tageblatt declares that it is not satisfied with the explanation and respects the names of two officials alleged to be involved. It suggests that proceedings be taken against them.

ARGENTINE AND TARIFFS. STRONG ATTITUDE AT HAVANA.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

HAVANA, Jan. 25th.

Senhor Pueyrredon, the Argentine Ambassador to Washington, who is the head of the Argentine delegation to the Pan-American Conference, has announced that the delegation will not sign any Convention for the re-organisation of the Pan-American Union, which does not provide for a study of ways and means of reducing if not abolishing the high tariffs existing in inter-American commerce.

Mexico has allied herself with the Argentine in the stand taken up with reference to the tariffs.

NORWAY'S NEW CABINET. NOTED PROFESSOR ACCEPTS FOREIGN MINISTRY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

OSLO, Jan. 25th.

Mr. Hornsrud, leader of the Labourites and Farmers, has accepted the Premiership and is forming a Cabinet. The noted historical professor, Professor Edward Bull, has accepted the portfolio of Minister for Foreign Affairs.

CAPT. CAMPBELL'S MOTOR-CAR.

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[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 26th.

The secrecy which has hitherto been maintained regarding the details of this racing aero-engine which won the Schneider trophy and which is fitted in the motor-car with which Captain Malcolm Campbell will attempt to break the land speed record, was broken yesterday.

The interesting feature of the engine is that it is the smallest and lightest for its power in existence. It weighs 850 lbs. and gives 875 horse power.

The All-Metal Monoplane. Part publication is permitted regarding the details of the new all-metal monoplane which is the largest ever built in this country and is known as the "Lardner" Rolls Royce Indefatigable. It is of exceptionally large span and is fitted with three Rolls Royce Condor engines, one in the nose and one in each wing.

It is considered probable that Flight-Lieutenant Kinkhead, who flew the Napier in the Schneider Cup race but did not finish the course, will be selected to fly the Supermarine Napier, which won the trophy when an attempt is made in March to break the speed record.

BIG BRITISH RUBBER MERGER.

HEAVY SHARE FLOTATION IN LONDON.

VENDORS' OPTIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

The prospectus has been issued for the Anglo-Java Rubber Company, and it details the acquisition of a large group of Malayan properties, foreign-owned. The productive capacity of the new estates is estimated to be 28,000,000, the value of the property is estimated at £2,500,000, and the purchase price is £1,800,000.

Shares, which are being issued at the price of six shillings per share, are 2½/- each. The vendors have the option to subscribe for these shares up to 600,000 before December, 1933, at six shillings, and they hold a similar option for a further 400,000 as part consideration for underwriting the present issue, but the option given to the public who subscribed for the debenture issue is 8/- per share till February 1st, 1933.

The value of the property is based on the average selling price of rubber at 1s 6d per pound over the next seven years.

H.R.H. AS FARMER. RECEIVES 70 CANADIAN FARMERS AT ST. JAMES' PALACE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 25th.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales to-day received at Saint James Palace 70 Canadian farmers who are visiting this country.

The Prince recognised several whom he had met when he visited his Canadian ranch last year, and the conversation turned mainly on farming matters, in which His Royal Highness is keenly interested.

BIG CONTRACT FOR ENGLISH FIRM.

TENDER WINS ON ITS MERIT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 25th.

A Birmingham firm has obtained a contract for 50 coaches for the South African Railways to cost £170,000 sterling.

It is understood that the tender was successful on its merits only. There was keen competition from Continental firms, including Belgian and German manufacturers, but the British tender, while not the lowest, was considered to be technically the most favourable.

A VENERABLE WAR PERSONALITY.

BURGOMASTER MAX OF BRUSSELS.

VISITING LONDON.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 26th.

Burgomaster, M. Max, of Brussels, a well-known war personality, arrives in London to-day on an official visit to the Lord Mayor.

[The aged burgomaster, M. Max, of Brussels, whose independent spirit evinced when the German capital was occupied the Belgian capital, was universally admired, will be sure of a great reception in London.]

AFGHAN ROYALTY IN PARIS.

KING AMANULLA AND QUEEN TO BE FETED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Jan. 25th.

King Amanulla of Afghanistan and his Queen, who arrived at Paris to-day, were solemnly received by President Doumergue, supported by many Cabinet Ministers and authorities.

Crowds lined the streets of Paris, and the Royal visitors were warmly cheered.

A series of brilliant ceremonies have been arranged to take place in Paris for the entertainment of the King and Queen.

Parisian papers, eulogising Franco-Afghanistan friendship, recall in detail the remarkable achievements of King Amanulla during his reign.

S.S. "CALCHAS" ABLAZE AT LIVERPOOL.

A LONG FIGHT WITH THE FLAMES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

Fire broke out in the hold of the Blue Funnel a.s. Calchas to-day while the vessel was lying alongside the Liverpool Docks loading cargo for Penang.

It was extinguished after a long fight, the conflagration being more serious because it was necessary to cut through plates in order to get to the seat of the outbreak.

The ship's fittings were seriously damaged, but fortunately very little cargo happened to be on board.

The s.s. Calchas, will in spite of the fire, sail on January 28th, for the East, in accordance with schedule.

The Calchas is one of the finest of the Blue Funnel fleet, being 480 feet long, while her gross tonnage exceeds 10,000 tons. A regular visitor to Hong Kong, she has recently been on the Blue Funnel London-Far East run.

H.M.S. "CALEDON" ARRIVES AT MALTA.

TEMPORARY REPAIRS EFFECTED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 25th.

The Admiralty announces that H.M.S. Caledon, which collided last Friday in the Doro channel with the Italian oiler Antares, has now arrived at Malta, temporary repairs having been effected.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 25th.

Mr. David Lloyd George, the Liberal Leader, with Dame Margaret Lloyd George, and other members of his family, is arriving back in London this evening from his voyage to South America.

THE "WARATAHS." HAVE LUNCHEON AND TEA AT SANDRINGHAM.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 25th.

Their Majesties the King and Queen received the New South Wales Rugby Football team, known as the "Waratahs," at Sandringham. The team had lunch and tea with their Majesties.

AMERICAN WIDOW'S ENORMOUS FORTUNE.

MRS. ANNA HARKNESS LEAVES £5107,000,000.

WINDFALL TO TREASURY.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Jan. 26th.

The largest fortune ever recorded in the New York State Tax Department has been by Mrs. Anna Harkness, widow of the late Stephen Harkness, partner of Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, senior, in founding the Standard Oil Company.

Mrs. Harkness' fortune is \$107,000,000 on which \$18,000,000 has been paid as inheritance tax. On her husband's death several years ago the estate was estimated at \$1,800,000,000, and the enormous increase is due to the consistent rise of the securities composing the fortune, which included over 300,000 shares of Common Stock in the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.

The son of Mrs. Harkness is the largest beneficiary, as he receives over \$90,000,000.

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Mr. Sutton is a general in the Chinese Army. He has discarded China for Canada.

General Sutton said that during his five years in China he made more than £500,000. "It was not bad earnings," he said, "but I had to work for it. I was the chief military adviser to Chang Tso Lin, and it was my responsibility to provide him with all his munitions."

"China is a wonderful country, but at the moment it is no place for an Englishman. There is one thing that I have learned from my five years in China, and that is that the 'yellow peril' does not exist."

"There is no need to be fearful of China. The people are incapable of organising. They have no directive ability, and a British division of troops could always march through China from one end to the other without trouble. I know, for I have been on the inside of the whole of the Chinese civil war."

General Sutton said, as an instance of the remarkable luck that follows in his train, that after he had made £500,000 from the manufacture of munitions in China and received a £10,000 present from the Chinese war lord, he journeyed "over" to Shanghai, where he walked into the club there, he said, "saw a notice of the club's Derby sweepstake, bought a ticket, and won £25,000."

WORST THEATRE SLUMP.

THE RESULT OF THE SNOW STORMS.

LONDON BOX OFFICES IDLE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

London theatres had an extraordinarily bad time during Christmas week.

All of them made arrangements for a holiday boom. Some lesser let their theatres to a management with a play suitable for the evening, and also to another management with a children's play.

So great a rush for seats was anticipated that the theatres alone, leaving out music-halls, cinemas, conjuring entertainments, and concerts, made arrangements to sell no fewer than 455,000 seats during the week.

Then came the snow and frost, the shortage of taxis, and a general fear of the difficulty of getting home.

In consequence the box offices were idle. The theatres had to exist almost entirely on what money was taken in advance booking before Christmas started.

One phantom took only £3 in ready money on Boxing Day. All the seats occupied but it was sold before, and even then many of the sold seats were not filled. Another Christmas play took only £2 in cash the worst Christmas week in the history of the theatre.

BUSTER KEATON IN "COLLEGE."

THE UNATHLETIC HERO.

"BEN HUR" ALL NEXT WEEK.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

Buster Keaton's latest picture "College," which you may enjoy at the Queen's until Saturday, shows the poetical-looking comedian attempting every sort of athletic feat "all for the love of a lady."

Keaton, we all know, is very far from being what he looks, the melancholy poetic youth. Probably he is as fine a sprinter as you will find in Hollywood. He proves this in College for it is a harder thing to fail ludicrously, we had almost said wittily than to succeed. To see him hurdling, putting the weight or pole jumping is as interesting as to see these feats performed by the champion of the sports field, and when he makes an unexpected success those who have tried realise what still is required for this athletic clowning. Many a man who can do quite a creditable pole jump for example would be puzzled to do it as Keaton does. A quarter of a mile run broken by ridiculous leaps is but a prelude to a jump which neatly snaps the pole in half, and lands him stuck fast on his head in the sawdust beyond the jumping stand.

"College" makes the third good comedy we have seen at the Queen's this week. If not as uproariously amusing as "We're in the Navy Now" it is nevertheless a very good picture with a great deal of subtle humour in it and some excellent acting.

Programme. — "College." Buster Keaton comedy. On Sunday: "The Irresistible Lover." Monday till Saturday: "Ben Hur."

World—Charles Chaplin's "Gold Rush."

Star—Lentrie Joy in "The Wedding Song."

CHARGE AGAINST SHANTUNG SERGEANT.

ALLEGED THEFT IN POLICE STATION.

As mentioned last week, a case which is viewed with gravity by the Police Department came before the Court when a Weihaiwei sergeant interpreter was charged with the theft of a blue serge Chinese long gown from a Chinese who was brought to the charge room.

The sergeant in question appeared before Major O. Willson at the Central Magistrate's yesterday afternoon. Mr. P. J. Woods, C.I.E. (D.S.P.) prosecuted and Mr. Leo O'Almada, sen., was for the defendant.

According to the prosecution on January 25th a Chinese was brought to the Central Police Station charge room and a suit case which he had left on a bench near the dock. Some hours later the prisoner was released. When he arrived home he found that a long coat and a riding jacket were missing, and a riding jacket were missing. The police on making investigations found the long coat in a pawnshop. A boy who pawned the article alleged that the defendant gave it to him to pawn and received the money.

The complainant a student aged 17 years, residing at the Tai Tai pawnshop, 313, Des Voeux Road Central, bore this out in evidence. He signed for the return of his property, but did not trouble to look it over, as he never suspected a larceny would take place within police premises. When he returned home he found that his blue woollen serge long gown and black Chinese riding jacket were missing. He then reported the police station. He was told that nothing could be done as he had signed the receipt for the return of his property. The following day he reported the matter to a European detective sergeant.

Sergeant Munroe, who was on duty at the Central Police Station when the previous witness was brought in, said that he took charge of this youth's property, but did not notice a suitcase key stated that he pawned the coat for \$10, and handed this money to the defendant, for whom he pawned the article. He identified the coat in Court as the one he pawned. He did not know it had been stolen.

The case was adjourned until next Thursday afternoon.

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HONG KONG UP ON FOURBALLS.

MANILA LEADERS WIN.

A DIFFICULT WIND.

[By R. H.]

As a result of the first day's play in the Interport Golf, Hong Kong have gained a very useful two points over Manila. In other words, Manila will have to win five of the six singles on Sunday to beat the Home team.

There were a number of fine shots played during the day, but the things which struck me most was the number of missed putts. They were the depressing finale to so many well played holes.

In the early morning there was heavy mist on the hills, and it looked about a fifty-fifty chance that it would be a wet day. In fact, Pendered brought out umbrellas for the Manila team, and this had the required effect of keeping the rain off.

The Wind.

A stiff wind was blowing diagonally across the first hole and it was none too easy to put a drive down the left side of the fairway. The wind not only made the control of shots through the green difficult, but it had disastrous effects on the putting greens. Especially after the hot sun had got at them and dried every drop of the early moisture out of them they became terrifyingly slippery. I have said that lots of short putts were missed, I would not dare blame anyone for missing them.

The Start.

Both teams were out early loosening their shoulders down the eighteenth fairway, and trying to get the strength of the last green. Just before 8.30 Capt. K. J. Fielder, who was playing with E. J. Nell against T. D. E. Pendered and L. R. Andrews, struck the first shot of the match, and already my tale begins, for Nell took 3 putts to let Pendered draw first blood. Nell made up for it on the second by holing a fine putt for a three, but he nodded again on the next green, and Andrews and Pendered got the right figures.

The Shots.

In the second match, in which Lieut. J. Cranston and G. Ivory played Capt. F. D. Erskine and Capt. H. F. Bloxham, both Manila players put fine shots on the middle of the third green. Cranston's shot left him a sinkable putt, but he did not do it, and Bloxham, who was also on from the tee, got his 3. Then G. Murray, who was playing with L. G. S. Dodwell against J. R. Mason and Capt. J. J. Yates, put his mashie shot about 4 yards from the pin and gave Hong Kong an early lead of one hole.

I thought Dodwell's drive at the 4th was a really long one, at least I did till I saw Blinks's, who happened to be playing round just behind. I shall probably have plenty to say about Blinks's length to-morrow.

Cross Wind.

There was a very difficult and rather strong cross wind at the Bog, which seemed to trouble all the players. So far as I could see, not one found the middle of the green, and once there putting was rather chancy, as the wind had scattered the green with leaves.

Pendered was hitting the ball very long way and reached the edge of the 9th in two. He was also 10 feet or so from the 11th hole in 2 but took 3 putts and lost the hole. On the 15th Andrews did much the same thing to put Manila 1 up, and then Fielder put a brilliant tee-shot four feet from the pin at the Braeside, and sank the putt. That accounted for Manila's 2 holes lead at tiffin.

The Gem.

There were some interesting tee shots played at the Gem into a stiff breeze. In the top match all four were on, but the great shot was that of Capt. Yates, playing a spoon shot, he was 18 inches past the pin, almost holing out and evoking a shout of admiration from Lieut. Cranston on the next tee. The other really brilliant shot of the morning was Dodwell's second to the Home hole, which he almost put into the tin from 120 yards or so.

As usual in a 36-hole match the morning round was mainly steady pegging. The positions at tiffin of the various matches were:—

Fielder and Nell 2 up on Pendered and Andrews.
Cranston and Ivory 4 down to Erskine and Bloxham.
Mason and Yates 9 down to Dodwell and Murray.

AFTERNOON PLAY.

I saw more of the top match in the afternoon than of the others. Manila went further ahead at the first, but Nell missed a putt of under two feet on the second, and then astonished himself and everyone else by doing the same thing at the third. Not to be outdone, Pendered sliced a yard putt at the Rise and Manila stood 2 up. The 6th was a grim hole: Pendered finally won it in 3 but no one was on in 3 and there must have been shots played off every club in the bag.

A Crucial Hole.

The 9th was a crucial hole in this match. Pendered hit a long ball about 30 yards from the green, while both Manila players were down the slope. However, Fielder got a fighting 4 and Pendered was very gay with his pitch and run and missed his 4. Thus Manila were 2 up when they looked like being all square.

Again at Land's End after 4 fine drives both Manila players found the green, while Hong Kong did not, and Nell's 4—he also got a 4 at the 9th—was good enough to win, and Manila stood 4 up with 1 to go.

Andrews played the perfect tee shot into the wind at the Gem and sank a stout putt for a 2, and Pendered won the next in 4. At Sandy's Pulpit both Andrews and Pendered had longish putts for a win in 3, but neither would drop, and the end came two holes later when a half in 3 gave Manila the match 3 and 2.

Some Fireworks.

Cranston and Ivory, who stood 4 down at tiffin time to Bloxham and Erskine, opened the afternoon round in a blaze of glory. 3, 4, 2, 4 were their figures for the first four holes, and they took the first three straight off the home players, pulling them back to 1 up. Hong Kong refused to be rattled, however, and were 3 up again at the turn, having gone out in 38. Holes continued to come their way and they finished the match in level 4 at Sandy's Pulpit.

The Third Match.

There were a number of fluctuations in the third match. Manila had gone into tiffin 2 down, and they lost another hole by the 3rd. Then they suddenly struck a patch, and the match was square by the 7th.

The 8th was halved but Dodwell won the ninth in five, and the putts of the Manila players began just to stay out again. The next 3 holes all went to the home side thanks to steady play by both men and failures on the green by Manila. Hong Kong was pulled back one at the Horizon, which meant that they came to Sandy's Pulpit 3 up. Here Dodwell administered what was more or less the coup de grace by putting a magnificent tee shot on the green, pin-high and slightly to the left. This put Hong Kong dormy 4, and though Mason with a despairing effort won the 15th in a fine 4, the end came at the Braeside, the grave of the top match, where a very steady 3 by Murray did more than was necessary.

Results.

T. D. E. Pendered and L. R. Andrews lost to Capt. K. J. Fielder and E. J. Nell 3 and 2.
Capt. F. D. Erskine and Capt. H. F. Bloxham beat Lieut. J. Cranston and G. Ivory 6 and 4.
L. G. S. Dodwell and G. Murray beat J. R. Mason and Capt. J. J. Yates 4 and 2.

Two points are given for each foursome or fourball match, and one point for each single. Consequently the position at the end of yesterday's play was:—

Hong Kong: 4 points; Manila: 2 points.
To-day foursomes are being played between Hong Kong and Shanghai.

CRICKET NOTES.

THOSE RULES.

I have heard nothing more about the reprint of the rules yet but as the season is so far advanced, it would probably be better to wait and let the League permanent people produce a draft at the next meeting together with rules that are said to have been passed since the 1923 edition, but of which no trace remains save, I suppose in the minute book of the League. I find I was in error in my final note last week. Apparently the gentlemen in question asked in 1926 for a copy of the up-to-date rules showing recent amendments, and in reply he got a copy of the rules dated 1923. The only novel thing about it was that it had a red cover. Reflection from Canton then, no doubt.

League Matches.

There was only one match down for decision in the Senior League on Saturday last. Craignower beat the R.A. as I thought they would, but I confess that it was a bit of a surprise to me at first that it was such a close thing. But for the last-wicket stand by Y. Abbas and Modi Craignower would have lost. As it was they hit out and I understand had a bit of luck. The Gunners had a pretty good side out. Musson will strengthen them enormously. From the score it looks as if they too had a last wicket stand, but actually Howard, though down last, went in a bit earlier. I am told by one of the R.A. team that the Craignower fielding continues to be excellent.

Second Division Games.

The Junior League matches went very much according to form. The Navy second did very well to run the Varsity second string so close. There seems to have been a somewhat ambrosial flavour about the naval batting, for 99 of their runs were of this order. I admit the Argus-eyed gentleman, who collected 46 not out with much skill, has since sought pastures—and commissions new. But, "quo semel est inibuta." [Note for privileged readers: this calls for the elevation of the right rather than the left pad of the rabbit.] The University batting however is pretty sound all through and they rose to the situation.

The Tamar crashed again. It would be interesting to see how they would do if they had a couple of really sound bats to back up Beasley. I regret that I have never seen him play, but I always seem to find him with a nice score. In this case he appears to have carried his bat through the innings; this is deduced from the score as I didn't see the game. Their lack of run-getters is a great pity as their bowling seems pretty useful. Anyway they got rid of the very fair Recreo batting side for one run and the century.

The Civil Service are just as badly off in the batting way. They have quite a few men who may get a lot of runs—but they only come off one at a time. True, the side last Saturday was composite—Robertson and Paterson (cricketers) were notable absentees but on the other hand they were strengthened by Edmonds, Strange and Grimmett who are often called on for the first. (I might herein mention that the two Civil Service teams are in a very difficult position just now, as both find it almost impossible to field a regular eleven. As however neither side is high in the table it doesn't really matter.) Lake and Hale for the R.A.O.C. are a couple of very useful bowlers for a Second League side. Edmonds (5 for 38) and Strange (5 for 25) did their best, but you can't win on 38!

Monday's Game.

The University second seem anxious to wind up their season as soon as possible and took the opportunity of the holiday to play R.E. at Pokfulam on Monday last. They won, by 30 runs, close on time and the Sappers are to be congratulated on a greatly improved showing. This victory makes the University well-nigh safe.

Friendlies.

I have already dealt at length with the Club game. Of other friendlies over last week end, Kowloon beat a side from the University on the K.C.C. ground. (I was told they were playing C.S.C.C. but was misinformed.) The University were one short, and A. A. Ramjaha and one or two others of the first were absent. Quick played his first game here but I understand he is a bit short of practice.

The University are never at their best away from home, and they found Goodwin in excellent form with the ball, getting 6 for 22 in ten overs. Brace, Ramsay, Murray and Revis did well with the bat. Gutierrez, probably the University's best bowler, was unable to bowl at all, owing, I am told, to a strained back.

The Police beat rather a weak team of the Electric in a very low-scoring match. The winners also were not at full strength.

Monday's Matches.

In addition to the Second League game to which I have already referred there were several friendlies played on Monday last. The Inter-Club match at Kowloon seems to have been a most spirited (I must just) encounter. Seven people had a bowl on each side and a lot of people got runs which after all is a very satisfactory way of arranging things!

The Recreo and Craignower were neither at full strength but I confess I did not expect the former to win.

The Navy second on Tuesday had a day out against the Electric as they rattled up 155 for 6 after dismissing their opponents for 71. Their pace of scoring, I hear, was very rapid. Tansley got 51 and I learn he is playing for the Navy first eleven on Kowloon tomorrow.

An "A" team of K.C.C. beat the China Light and Power after a tie on the first innings. Lawrence and E. F. Fincher got about 100 between them for the first wicket in the second knock, and Hawkins, I am told, took 21 off one over. Kowloon won just on time.

University and Recreo—both weak teams tied with 50 apiece at the Recreo ground.

The League Position.

Craignower are at present second in the First League, but they have played eight matches against five by most of the others. The result seems to me to lie between University and Kowloon and though on paper the odds are on the former with five clear wins, I still think Kowloon will pull it off. I expressed this view in one of H.M. ships the other day and was taken to task for speculating on under-rating the Navy. I don't as a matter of fact. But I am well aware of the difficulties they have to face, owing to a constantly changing personnel. For instance, I have seen their first picked team on Kowloon to-morrow. I'll wager it won't turn out as selected, but if it does, Dale, Hunt, Thomson and Davies are regular members away from the team. Satter is going almost at once, and Thomson and Cecil I suppose as soon as Hermit gets back. True they have a very fine new wicket keeper in Walker (I think)—newly joined in Titania. This will probably bring Tenn out into the field, where he is excellent—and if I were the Navy skipper I'd give him a couple of overs sometimes. (But not more than three at a time!)

In the Second Division University with seven clear wins are in a very strong position. The only danger comes from Recreo and it is hardly possible to dislodge them now. Recreo and R.A.O.C. will probably struggle for second place. If Lake goes home before the end of the season it will cripple R.A.O.C. a bit.

R. ABBIT.

HONG KONG C.C. 2nd XI. v. NAVY.

This game takes place to-morrow at the Hong Kong C.C. ground at 2 p.m.

H.K.C.C.—J. N. Owen, J. E. Hancock, J. Barrow, E. R. West, W. K. Tait, S. J. Jordan, K. A. Mason, A. H. Penn, J. R. Collis, E. A. Simoa, A. N. Other.

ENGLAND v. SOUTH AFRICA.

THIRD TEST MATCH DRAWN.

HOME TEAM'S BIG SCORE.

[THROUGH RECTOR'S AGENT.]

DECEMBER, Jan. 23th.

According to Reuter's cables, play was resumed this morning in sunny weather, the wicket being fairly fast. South Africa who had made 279 for 4 wickets overnight went on to score the first total of 461 for 6 wickets, declared. The lunch score was 251 for 6, Nicholson having made 75 and Morkel 12. In the afternoon Napen made 73 and Deane 73.

Set to make 251 to win England lost one wicket for 33 runs before the tea interval. Their final score was 132 for two wickets. E. Tyldesley making 62 not out and Holmes 66.

Falling light stopped play, the match being drawn.

The British Wireless Service announces that the fourth Test Match begins at Johannesburg to-morrow (Saturday).

HOME FOOTBALL.

THE F.A. CUP.

FOURTH ROUND MATCHES TO-MORROW.

CURTAILED LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

The fourth round in the F.A. Cup competition will be played to-morrow (Saturday) at Home. In consequence there is a curtailed League programme. There will be no matches in Division I, at all, while in Division II, there are comparatively few. There will be at least two matches (fewer than usual in Division II, (Southern) and four in the Northern section of this Division. The Scottish League (Division I) have a full programme.

There are 32 teams engaged in the fourth round of the Cup, and of these the majority are senior teams.

There are seven Division II teams competing, and their number will most likely be reduced after to-morrow. Four of them are playing away from home, against still opposition. The other three, Reading, Stoke and Port Vale are more fortunate, in having home matches, but they appear likely to be beaten, and each will be lucky if they can force a draw.

Cardiff, who won the trophy last season are playing at home, but will find stiff opposition from Liverpool. Both are well placed in the League and the game should be close and keen. The Arsenal, who were runner-up last year are at home to Everton, who are the leaders at present.

The fixtures in the Cup competition and League for to-morrow are given below:—

THE F.A. CUP.

The matches to be played in the fourth round of the F.A. Cup to-morrow are as under:—

Bury v. Manchester U.S.
Exeter v. Blackburn
Port Vale v. New Brighton
Swindon v. Shel. Wednesday
Southampton v. Middlesbrough
Derby v. Notts Forest
Wrexham v. Birmingham
Sunderland v. Manchester C.
Huddersfield v. West Ham
Aston Villa v. Crewe
Stoke City v. Bolton Wanderers
Tottenham v. Oldham A.
Arsenal v. Everton
Sheffield U.S. v. Wolves
Reading v. Leicester

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division II.

Blackpool v. West Brom A.
Chelsea v. Clapton Orient
South Shields v. Hull City

Division III (Southern).

Brentford v. Luton Town
Barnet v. B.A. v. Millwall
Brighton v. H.A. v. Crystal P.
Bristol R. v. Newport C.
Merthyr T. v. Gillingham
Northampton v. Torquay U.
Norwich City v. Walsall
Plymouth A. v. Coventry C.
Watford v. Queens Pk. R.

Division III (Northern).

Ashington v. Hartlepool U.
Barns v. Durham City
Bradford v. Bradford City
Darlington v. Accrington S.
Doncaster R. v. Widnes Town
Rochdale v. Rotherham U.
Tranmere R. v. Chesterfield

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Clyde v. Airdrieonians
Dundee v. Hearts
Dunfermline v. Aberdeen
Falkirk v. Partick Thistle
Hamilton Academical v. St. Mirren
Hibernians v. St. Johnstone
Kilmarnock v. Celtic
Queen's Park v. Cowdenhill
Raiders v. Motherwell
Rangers v. Bo'ness

THE SCOTTISH CUP.

FIRST ROUND REPLAYS.

DRAW FOR 2ND ROUND MATCHES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.
Replayed matches in the first round of the Scottish Cup resulted as under:—

St. Johnstone, 0; Hearts, 1.
Dundee United, 2; East Fife, 1.
Dumbarton, 2; Hamilton, 3.

The match between St. Johnstone and Hearts was only decided after extra time had been played. The match between Dumbarton and Hamilton was a postponed game.

The Second Round.

The draw for the second round matches to be played on Saturday, February 4th, has been made as under:—

Forfar v. Kilmarnock
Forbes Mechanics v. Hearts
St. Mirren v. Vale of Ahol.
Dundee United v. Dundee
Dunfermline v. Leith Amateurs
Partick v. Nithsdale
Stenhousemuir v. Alloa
Ayr v. Falkirk
Armadale v. King's Park
Motherwell v. Raith
Rangers v. Cowdenhill
Airdrie v. Hamilton
Queen's Park v. Morton
Brechin City v. Albion
3rd Lanark v. Hibernians
Keith v. Celtic

JUDD, A MIGHTY HUNTER.

FAMOUS SOUTH AFRICAN SPORTSMAN.

SHOT FIVE LIONS IN SUCCESSION.

The *Evening Standard* was recently able to give some remarkable details of the life of the late Mr. William Judd, the famous big game hunter, who was killed by a wounded elephant in Kenya Colony on Tuesday, in spite of the efforts of his son to save him.

The dangers of big-game hunting are exemplified (writes Mr. John G. Millais) in the death of William Judd. Here was a man skilled in the ways of wild beasts beyond ordinary mortals, a magnificent shot and possessing a perfect nerve, and with all his forty years of experience with the great pachyderms, he loses today when the least wins.

Thirty years ago it required good nerves, plenty of luck, and an abundant self-confidence to hunt frequently Lions, buffaloes, and elephants in the heart of Africa, but to-day rifles are so powerful and accurate that for the most part a hunter has only to get close and make an accurate shot to eliminate nearly all danger.

Yet, in spite of all, accidents do happen. Perhaps it is best so, otherwise big-game hunting would not be the great sport it is.

Charged By Buffaloes.

William Judd was, I think, a native of Essex, and went to South Africa some forty years ago. After a trial at farming he soon took to the bush, and became a professional hunter.

Major Cunningham, the well-known hunter, who accompanied President Roosevelt on his African expedition, told me that the most strenuous and nerve-racking time in his life was when he and Willie Judd went up to the Pungwe flats by the new Mankwato Railway in the early 'nineties to hunt buffalo for a living.

"We were only armed," he said, "with old black-powder rifles, and there was scarcely a day when we were not charged by buffaloes. For we risked our lives every day."

An East African Pioneer.

Before 1900 Willie Judd was in East Africa with the early pioneers. Here for some years he specialized in hunting bull elephants on the south side of Mount Kenya, principally in the dense bush country to the west of the Amala River.

In time elephants began to get scarce, and the number allowed to be killed, limited, so with population increasing and visitors arriving Judd, turned professional guide, manager and hunter to Safaris. For some years he accompanied Sir W. McMillan, and was once with Roosevelt and other distinguished people.

I engaged him as hunter for Major Pulter in 1912, and a more excellent camp manager or letter communication could not be found.

His temper (so important a quality on a shooting expedition in Africa, where blood is hot) was marvellous. Nothing was any trouble to him, and what glorious nights we had round the camp fire swapping yarns of bygone days when Africa was the untrodden field of romance.

His Wish To Come Home.

He had a nice little coffee estate in the Kikuyu Highlands, and this he sold to some profit. Every six months he wrote to me all the gossip of the hunting field and what people were doing. Every letter expressed a wish to come home to England and settle down.

It was just as well he did not, as he would not have been happy. Willie Judd had many adventures with wild animals. One or two I wrote down at the time he told them.

One day Judd came suddenly on eight lions that had just killed a zebra by the Amala River. At such a moment lions are in an excited and dangerous frame of mind. The distance was only 80 yards, and Judd's first shot killed the big male lion dead on the top of the zebra.

Two lionesses then charged him together. He killed one at thirty paces distance and the second within a few feet. There was just time to avoid when two other lionesses charged. Judd stopped the first with a broken back, and killed the second when it was almost upon him. The three other lionesses then bent a retreat.

An Adventure With Selous.

Judd was out one day with F. C. Selous. Both hunters were mounted, and Selous suddenly galloped along a path in the bush in front. It seems, however, that Selous over-ran the beast, which had crouched close to the path without his seeing it.

As Judd followed at a leisurely canter he suddenly became aware of a great yellow body coming through the air at him on his left side.

There was not even time to raise his rifle to his shoulder as he just cocked it up on the pomel and pulled the trigger. The lioness fell dead on the horse.

There are plenty of good hunters in Africa to-day, but none better. (Continued at foot of next column.)

THE GAMBLER'S INSTINCT.

[BY H. A. H. CARSON.]

MONTY CARLO.

Walking through the rooms I came across a friend whom I meet more frequently at Lord's than anywhere else. When I asked the conventional question, whether he had been doing anything, he made the remarkable reply that roulette had no fascination for him except in its resemblance to cricket!

First of all, he said, they are both such infernally dull games to watch. There is a funeral gravity about cricket and roulette which is particularly pleasing to English people, who are constitutionally incapable of appreciating boisterousness.

Secondly, you may have a fairly long innings at both games, but the great probability is that you will be "out" at the finish.

Thirdly, if you are going to be any good at all at either game, you must not hit "against the break."

I think that this last piece of advice is the best that can be followed at roulette.

The main cause of heavy losses at Monte Carlo are: Neglect to notice the run of a particular table; the scattering of pieces all over the board; and, greatest of all, a desperate courage when losing, and a deplorable timidity when winning.

The persistent way in which numbers turn up always interests me, though I can no more offer an explanation or reason why a set of numbers should repeat than I know why one man can sit a whole afternoon at bridge and hold only a third of the aces and kings his neighbour does.

Inspired Moments.

Here is a personal experience. I had a conversation from a friend in London to back 5 for him when it looked favourable. For the first three visits I paid to the Casino 3 turned up so rarely at any table that nothing was risked. The actual numbers worth watching the first day were 10 to 24, and on the second day the first six. This was not only at one table, but all through the rooms while I was watching. It was not till the fourth day that I found a table which was producing the desired number, and then 5 came up twice in seven throws.

Here is another inexplicable and, if you like, unbelievable claim by the persistent player. I have met men and women who declare that at rare moments they have a conviction that a certain number will appear and that that conviction may be safely acted upon.

"I think that everyone has these inspirations," said a player who spends his whole winter at the table, "but very few of us have the courage to take the full advantage of it. I myself very rarely get it, but when I do I see the number standing out as plainly as it shows up on the board."

Two days ago I came across another instance of this. My partner at the bridge table, the wife of a resident at Beau Soleil, told me: "I had been shopping this morning, and had about a hundred francs over, so I ran into the Casino to see what was doing. I seemed to know every number that was to turn up, 7 came up and 18 and 10 and 22, just as if someone had told me. I was afraid to back them, but I did back the dozens and made a nice bit."

Whose Winnings?

This type of vision, if you can call it so, is very curious. I have similar intuitions myself while playing bridge. That is, I have said to myself, my opponent is going to lead the nine of clubs, and down the card has come; but that I think is merely because the lead of that particular card which I know is held by my opponent, is the one card which will put me one down on my contract. In fact, which he knows as well as I do. That, however, does not explain how it is a certain player at roulette can back three winning numbers, en plein, out of four coups, and yet I saw it done last night. The four numbers were 21, 24, 32, and 2, and I saw a player win the maximum on three of them. He missed 24. It is difficult to see his inspiration.

Here is a little story that caused a slight dispute among the gambling fraternity. A man and his wife, knowing nothing of roulette, were asked by a friend to back 14 directly they went into the rooms, and were given a hundred francs to put on. The number came up, and they were chatting over their success a man standing by said, "You had better take that money off before you lose it." 14 turned up again, and they had forgotten to redeem their original stake.

The question is, to whom do the second pile of winnings belong, to the players, or to the friend who had inspired the bet? The answer seems to be that the second win belongs to the players, as the piece left on was at their risk and not at the risk of their friend, who had only authorized a single transaction.

With greater experience or more amiable in character than the late Willie Judd. He died like a man with his boots on as a man should.

"EVERYTHING MADE IN BRITAIN."

FEATURES OF THE COMING TRADE FAIR.

AT LONDON AND BIRMINGHAM.

Almost everything Great Britain makes, from huge electrical equipment for a power-house down to the minutest jewellery, will be seen at the British Industries Fair which is to be held simultaneously in London and Birmingham from February 20th to March 2nd, 1928.

The aim of the organizers has been to make each section thoroughly representative of its own branch of British industry and to establish the Fair as a more firmly as an annual commercial event of first-class importance—the manufacturer's means of launching new products and establishing new contacts, the trade buyer's means of keeping in touch with the latest developments in British production and of taking a complete survey of that section of it which interests him most without having to make a tour of the country.

Take the section organized by the Association of British Chemical Manufacturers and the British Chemical Plant Manufacturers' Association. It embraces almost every firm of note, including the great combine, Imperial Chemical Industries. The visitor will be able to see for himself the big strides made in the industry in Great Britain within the last year or two, whether it be in heavy chemicals or fine, fertilizers, explosives, dyestuffs, non-skidding road materials, preservatives, disinfectants or drugs. New products will be in the forefront and as a background there will be a complete range of the British chemicals now being made.

That is typical. In the leather and leather goods section, there will be shown, besides the huge range of saddlery, bags and trunks, for the manufacture of which Great Britain has always been noted, the latest thing in fashion goods such as ladies' handbags and handkerchiefs. The textile and clothing section, which is to be six times the size it was when inaugurated in 1925, will include every article of clothing from the finest lingerie to fishermen's oilskins. All the great textile areas of the country will be represented and besides mass-production of cloth and garments, there will be home-spun tweeds and other products of rural industries. For the first time the great artificial silk firm, British Celanese Ltd., is to exhibit, its display occupying some 800 square feet.

New Products.

New designs in jewellery; new stainless steel spoons and forks; improved British typewriters and office equipment; a truly unique display of pottery and china and table and decorative glassware; the very best British can produce; and the latest wireless sets and accessories will be other features of the Fair in London. The display of toys and games and sports goods will be the largest and finest yet made. There will be scientific instruments, photographic materials (another section organized by a whole industry), foodstuffs, fancy goods, cutlery, watches and clocks, musical instruments, stationery, furniture, basketware and brushware.

Another important section in London will be that in which the British Dominions and Colonies will again exhibit their produce. In Birmingham one of the features will be a display of everything connected with building, from concrete foundations to the most minute fittings. The gas and electrical industries will vie with each other in showing the latest developments in industrial and domestic practice and there will be machinery for every industrial purpose, wire weaving looms, machines for making hardware, for welding steel, brass and aluminum, many of them in operation.

Taking both sections, the coming British Industries Fair will be nearly twice as big as it was in 1925 and bigger even than in 1921, a time of great industrial prosperity.

GERMAN RACE DWINDLING.

BIRTH-RATE HALVED.

BERLIN.
The Ober-Bürgermeister of Berlin, speaking in the Prussian Council of State, said that there were only 43,000 children in the schools of Berlin compared with 70,000 before the war. He pointed out that the number of new little citizens arriving annually is less than half what it was before the war. In 1925 the number of births was 26,000, against 79,000 in 1913. He attributed the diminution in the birth-rate principally to the insufficient number of houses.

Dr. Alfred Grotjahn, professor of the University of Berlin, points out that to maintain the population at the present number there must be 20 births for every 1,000 of population.

Last century, up to 1885, for every 1,000 of the population there were born from 37 to 40 children. In the 46 chief cities of Germany the birth-rate is only 14.2 per 1,000 and in Berlin it is 10 per 1,000.

EARLY MATRIMONY.

MEN WHO MARRIED YOUNG.

INTERESTING COMPARISONS.

The advice given to cadets at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, by Lieut.-General Sir Webb Gillman, Master-General of the Ordnance, that they should avoid matrimony until they were at least 30 years of age, has created considerable interest at Home. The advice was given at the half-yearly passing-out inspection of the college. Sir Webb said that a soldier's freedom of manoeuvre was sometimes cramped by his being married when he was young, for he was liable to be ordered anywhere and at a moment's notice.

Investigations indicate that many famous men in the Navy, Army, and Air Force have married much later than leading men of other professions, as the following lists show:

Earl Haig, 44; Sir W. Robertson, 34; Sir George Milne, 39; Sir Ian Hamilton, 34; Earl Benty,

30; Earl Jellicoe, 43; Air Vice-Marshal Sir Sefton Branker, 30; Air Vice-Marshal Sir Geoffrey Salmond, 32.
On the other hand, Lord Plumer married at 27 years of age. Among politicians the leaders of the three great parties all married young.

Mr. Baldwin, 25; Mr. Lloyd George, 23; Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, 30.
Famous men in the legal world married even younger: The Lord Chief Justice (Lord Hewart), 22; The Lord Chancellor (Lord Cave), 29.

Literary men, artists, and actors were usually on the young side of 30, though there are several notable exceptions: Mr. Bernard Shaw, 42; Mr. Rudyard Kipling, 27; Mr. G. K. Chesterton, 27; Sir William Orpen, 23; Sir John Lavery, 34; Mr. Jacob Epstein, 33; Sir Frank Benson, 28; Sir Gerald du Maurier, 30.

Men of science and dignitaries of the Church appear to marry a little later:

Sir Oliver Lodge, 36; Sir Arthur Keith, 33; Sir E. Rutherford, 29; Dean Inge, 45; The Archbishop of Canterbury, 30; The Bishop of Birmingham, 43.

WIFE "GOADED TO DEATH."

HUSBAND ARRESTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

Kendall Cowgen, aged twenty, has been arrested in Chicago on a charge of manslaughter for the unpremeditated reason, according to the warrant, that he "goaded his wife to death."

The authorities, although Cowgen did not return to his home until three hours after his wife, Viola, aged eighteen, had taken her own life by gas, hold him responsible for her death, saying that a heated argument led his young wife to commit suicide.

"I became angry and said bitter things," Cowgen told the police.

Then I slammed the door, went out, and three hours later, when I went back, I found her dead."

The authorities declare that Cowgen is the first husband arrested on such a charge in Chicago, and that the charge, if sustained, may serve as a new legal precedent.

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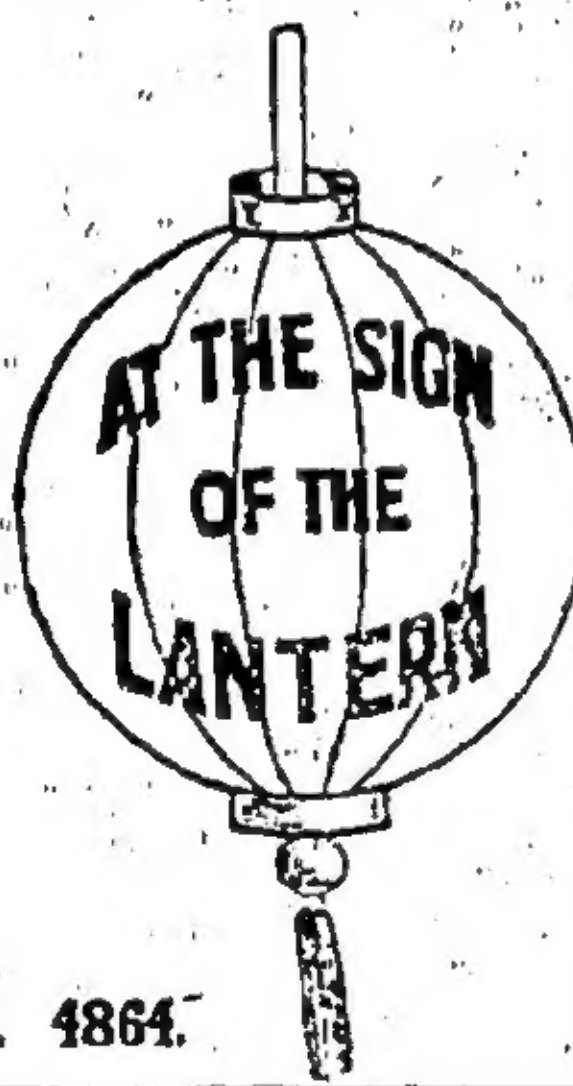
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WOMAN'S PAGE

PRETTY THINGS FOR THE RACES.

SEEN IN THE LOCAL SHOPS.

THE FIRST RACE FROCKS

An interesting new collection of
dresses has just arrived *chez*
Pamela. Most of them are of the
smart afternoon type designed for
the races; others are dinner or
dance frocks.The clever use of reversible satin,
insertions, antique jewellery and
curiously cut drapery gives them
charm and distinction, and though
at first sight the new models do
not look very different from those
created for last year, there are very
wide differences when you see them
side by side. Cut is everything, or
nearly everything, to-day; and the
apparently simple models are, when
you come to examine them, put to-
gether like a jig saw puzzle. There
was one little dance dress in a
deep claret shade of georgette, for
instance, plain in cut but for the
wing draperies and side flares. But
those draperies are designed on the
bias each one a different and quite
indescribable shape when laid out
flat. The one which falls from the
right shoulder is fastened behind
the arm hole and is very roughly
triangular in shape, its pair comes
from the front section of the left
arm hole and is almost circular.
The skirt flairs reverse this process
in a modified form.

Picture Frocks.

A simple model on the becoming
picture lines has a full skirt, made
in layers rather than frills, toning
from pearl beige to dull *feuille*
mort attached to a pearl beige satin
bodice. The skirt is cut very full
and rather as though it were in-
tended to cover a sun shade except
that it is longer at the sides than
at the back and front. A stronger
note of colour is introduced by a
flower, in a *pricot* and flame
colours. A very short full picture
frock of leaf green taffetas is
lengthened by an underdress of
green and gold tissue, the effect is
almost that of panniers. Round
the waist is a girdle of small
flowers made of the taffetas with
gold centres. Pink georgette makes
a very charming youthful frock with
a long skirt which is a mass of
tiny frills, and silver ribbon girdle.

Satin And Lace In The Afternoon.

Among the very lovely dresses
which Pamela has already received
for the race season there are several
which show a clever combination of
satin and lace. A smart model in
which both sides of black satin are
used with great effect has a panel
of Paris-shade lace which runs up
from the hem and is inserted about
half-way down the bodice, below
the surplice collar. A very charm-
ing antique brilliant brooch fastens
the waist.Another frock of brown satin has
a paste brooch set low down on
the bodice. The material is trimmed
with cleverly inserted pieces of the
reverse side of the satin, and
georgette and silk lace of a lighter
tone are combined with it. This
model with its uneven hem line,
wide sash which ties on the left
at the back, and pretty wing
sleeves, shows how a really elaborate
and complicated frock can be given
an air of simplicity and *chic* by
exquisite cut. There is nothing
fussy about it, nothing crude, and
yet it is exceedingly smart.

A Complicated Skirt.

Pearl beige satin is combined in
another smart race dress with beige
georgette of a slightly pinky tone,
and silk lace which emphasises
rather the yellow tones of the beige;
a very clever combination which
gives a warmth of tone which
is lacking in so many beige gowns.
The frock is of satin, the skirt being
mostly lace but made in two thick-
nesses, so that the upper lace van-
dyke does not fall exactly over the
under one. The under-dress which
shows in the front and at places
through the lace is of pinky beige.
A big brooch of gold Toledo work
puts a finishing touch at the waist.
The effect of the skirt is unusually
pretty, in some places the satin
shows through the lace in others the
georgette.CLOAKS, HATS AND
FLOWERS.The interest in dance frocks will
soon be waning in favour of toilettes
for the races; already the shop
windows are blossoming out with
hats, dresses, flowers and lovely
cloaks on which we hope the sun
will shine in Happy Valley. Most
of these delightful things are still
on their long journey over the seas,
but a few have arrived and look as
fresh and uncrumpled as if Paris
were in the New Territories.Powell's have a few hats and
coats which give one a glimpse of
what is coming. The hats have,
most of them, fairly wide and
graceful brims of lace or georgette
and are trimmed with a large droop-
ing flower rather like those we wear
on the hips of our dance frocks.This very smart coat is a good
example of the latest fashion with
its full collar and front flange of
fur, and the cleverly draped front
panel.Green georgette has a brim of
gold lace and a large flower; fine
black straw is completed with a
black lace brim which is cut quite
close to the nape of the neck at
the back and has a suggestion of
the poke bonnet in front. A very
smart model in *bois de rose* straw
is trimmed with a flat posy of pink
and mauve flowers on either side
of the gracefully drooping brim.
A memory of several years ago is
awakened by a green and beige
georgette but which has a long
floating scarf of the green material
which can be wound round the neck
or left to hang free as you please.

Satin Coats.

A distinguished-looking coat has
been evolved of two sides of satin
in the new *maron* brown. It is
made of the smooth surface and
trimmed with inset bands of the
(Continued on next Column.)

BY THE WAY.

Blue Tickets.—Next week is blue
ticket week at Whiteaway, Laid-
law's, and there are many very
special bargains to be had."Snugs."—"Snugs" are half
galoshes. Overshoes or galoshes
whichever you call them cannot
claim to be ornamental, but they
are certainly practical, and if you
can muster sufficient common sense
to put them on over your pearl
patents on soaking days, a "Snug"
is certainly the best choice. They
fit right up to the heel and are
cut so, as to cling well in under
the instep; they are made in a
variety of widths and certainly look
far less gals-like than most of
their kind. You can get them at
Lane, Crawford's.REVERSIBLE WOOL RUGS.—In
Whiteaway, Laidlaw's I found some
very nice wool rugs in four dif-
ferent sizes. They are reversible
washable and fadeless and are
strongly made of all-wool yarn, in
several pretty colours and designs,
at a very reasonable price.CHOKER NECKLACES.—I was de-
lighted to find in the Sign of the
Lantern some very pretty choker
necklaces in imitation jade and
coral, etc. They are well made and
finished and cost \$5 a string. As
you know these tight fitting neck-
laces of large beads are very
fashionable and look especially well
on those who wear a shingle or an
Eton crop.RAYON CREPE.—I discovered yes-
terday a new material in the
Pioneer Silk Store called Rayon
Crepe. It is 20 inches wide, and
in a wide range of colours with a
woven self colour, or damask check.
This material, which is solid and
washes splendidly would be good
for street or afternoon frocks for
present wear. It is only \$2.50 a
yard.CHECK PULL.—I was shown at the
same time the latest Fuji which
has a small cross line check in
brown, grey, blue or green, on a
white ground. I think there were
also other other colours. This
material is guaranteed not to fade
or run in washing.CRUMMIES AT HALF PRICE.—
Whiteaway, Laidlaw's stocktaking
sale is still in progress and among
other excellent bargains are many
rolls of crepe at one dollar a
yard, which were originally more
than twice that price.SILK STOCKINGS.—Both the well-
known "Three Knot" and
"Phoenix" brand silk stockings
have been very much reduced dur-
ing Whiteaway, Laidlaw's sale, the
former are \$2.50 and the latter \$1.50
a pair, in all colours and sizes.BABY CARRIAGES.—There are two
or three wonderful bargains in well
made baby prams to be had in the
same shop. They are offered at
much less than half price and are
reliable articles in every way.ribbed side. Black satin has
collar and cuffs of soft grey fur,
and a lovely wrap in a curious new
colour called mauve nude, really
a sort of pinky beaver, has a thick
roll collar the fullness of which is
very gracefully corded.

Flowers for Day or Evening Wear.

Some perfect flowers have also ar-
rived. I hope for your sake that
the same fate will not await them
as overtook Powell's last consign-
ment which were all eagerly snap-
ped up on the first day they were
offered for sale. Silk organza and
ribbon, with small jewelled centres
or a splash of metal paint on one
or two petals, have been used to
make the most attractive blossoms.
Most of these are very large single
flowers, but there are among them
some of those delightful flat posies
in a ribbon basket which are meant
to be applied on the picture
dresses, and a few more natural
sprays. By the way flowers are
worn on the hip now hardly ever
on the shoulder, except, of course,
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WOMAN'S PAGE

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BY THE WAY.

ENGLISH ALUMINUM.—In Whiteaway's I found too a large consignment, which had just been unpacked, of English Aluminium kitchen utensils. The "Diamond Brand" is as you probably know, very shapely, well shaped and welded, and the price, despite the fact that they have come so far, seemed to me more than one would give at home. If your pots and pans need renewing this is an excellent opportunity, and in any case one more saucepan or fry pan is always welcome.



A very popular hat in Paris at the moment is one that has its brim cut over the right eye so that one side can be turned up sharply against the crown, and the other flattened against the cheek. When this model first made its appearance the outstanding point was secured to the crown by a jewelled pin or brooch, but the latest examples of this style of millinery are fitted with the jewelled corner clips recently brought out by a world-famous jeweller. This black Angora felt hat is a model that could be copied quite easily by an amateur, as once the brim has been cut it is very little trouble to arrange the two points to suit the wearer.

INDIAN CARPETS.—The Pioneer Silk Store had a huge bundle of Indian silk rugs and small carpets waiting to be unpacked when I went in. I saw an advance sample which was very pretty and low in cost. LEATHER HAND-BAGS.—Pohoomul's have a number of new hand-bags with stamped and coloured designs which are well made and very pretty.

OVER A DANCE DRESS.

SHAWLS AND COATS WHICH RIVAL THE RAINBOW.

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A visit to Pohoomul's showed me that there is no reason at all why we should not have as smart and modern dance wraps here as are being worn in Paris, even smarter for we are in direct communication with the source of supply, the silk looms of the East. I saw some very original dance coats which, though gorgeous, would be extremely striking worn with the right dress, and others of more sober hues. A fringed dancing coat of Tuscan red with a bold conventional pattern in grey and black; and another one in turquoise blue printed with a Persian design round hem and neck in cherry red, struck me as being quite out of the ordinary, and particularly happy examples of the use of pure colour. A pale turquoise blue mandarin coat, with an exquisitely drawn square of a Buddhist priest worked in dull gold thread as its sole ornamentation would, I felt, create an immediate success at home or in Paris, both for its beauty and originality.

A very large consignment of shawls has just arrived at the same shop in anticipation of the approaching tourist season, and it would be as well if you are in need of a shawl to get the first pick before these eager buyers arrive. I read that in Paris now it is considered very chic to wear shoes of the same material as your dance coat, which is lucky for us as we can get the material here to make both at far more reasonable prices than they can in France.

LIKE LITTLE MICE.

SHOES THAT SPEAK OF SPRING.

Little mice creeping in and out under many petticoats have gone out of fashion. Shoes and stockings are as important as any other articles of dress, more so than many, for so much of them is seen, and the way in which we sit now a days makes them even more prominent. The natural consequence is that shoe fashions change as rapidly as those of hats or frocks. Each season, and there are at least four in the dress year, brings new shoes, which make the last purchases look demodé.



A very graceful dance frock in orchid georgette with a diamond belt. The cut with its modernistic lines and pretty pointed skirt is very becoming.

The New Colours.

There seems to be a very definite stressing of light beige shoes in the new collections. There are a few chic models in caramel and a new rose beige, while some of the former tan beiges are seen also; but there is no doubt that light or grey beige, or the very latest pearl tints are the smartest wear at the moment.

The New Shapes.

As for shape a fairly long model with a slightly rounded toe is the best, though there are indications that the French short vamp may be seen soon. Heels vary according to the cut of the shoe. With court shapes, which are being introduced for evening wear, you generally find the Spanish spike heel, often cut in, a pentagon with a very small base and quite decided angles. Shoes of lizard or crocodile for walking have a low small heel and a single strap. Powell's are showing some beautiful models with a well designed arch support which are as supple as a glove, a grey beige lizard skin is very tempting both in cut and price. Afternoon shoes have either one or a double strap and a medium Louis heel. One of Powell's models shows a combination of pearl glaze and real lizard which is exceedingly smart.

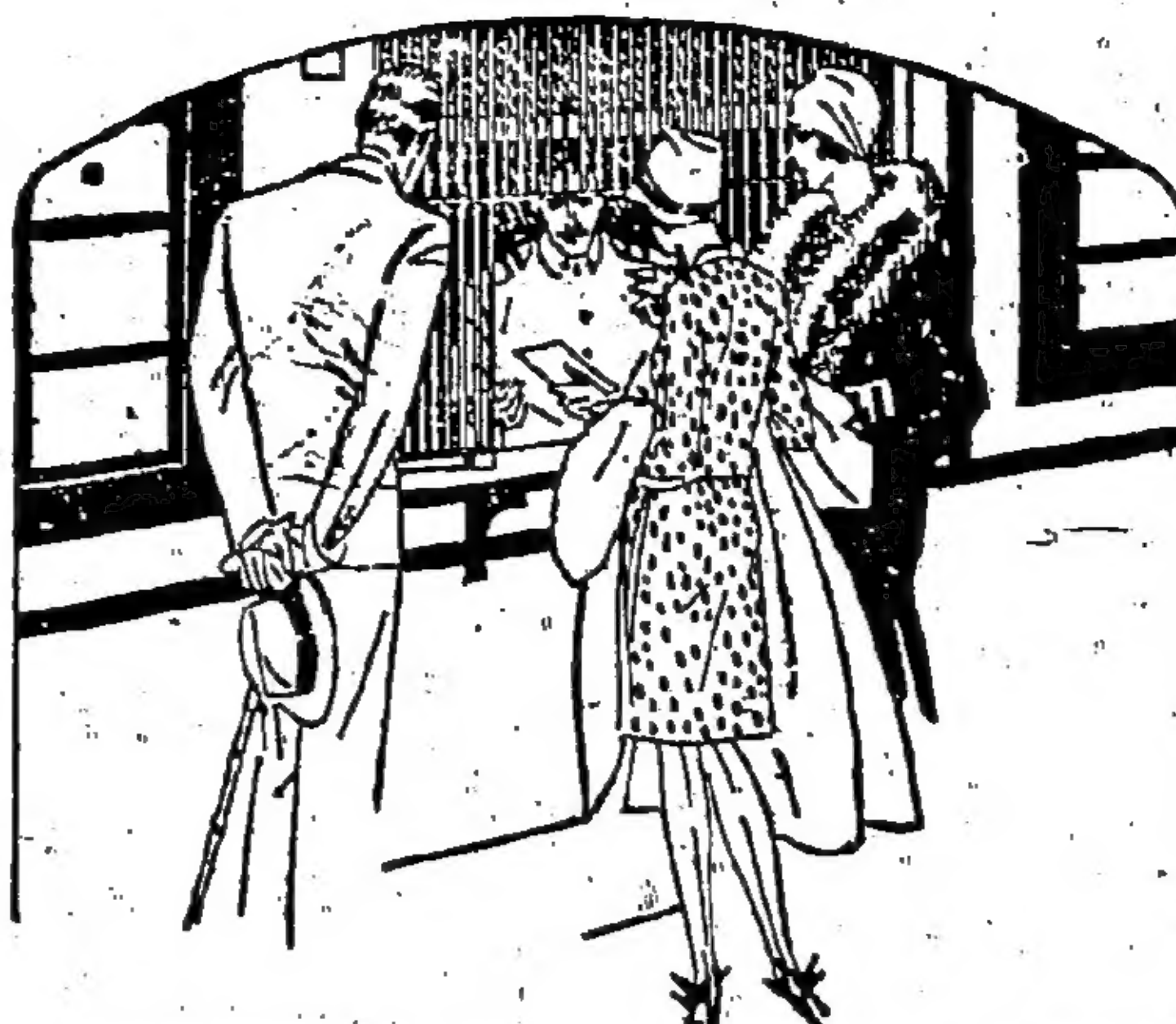
Pearl Patent.

The very latest material for smart footwear is Pearl Patent, a very lovely, pearly beige colour with the gloss of black patent. A court shaped model stocked by Lane, Crawford's is bound with straps of grey lizard. Another of their light beige patents has a double instep strap. It is worth noting that straps are definitely coming forward on to the instep, and in consequence the cut-out side has been abandoned.

Ribbon Bows.

A pretty variation which is to be seen in some of the latest models is a bow of ribbon to match the shoe, with tags of the same leather, which is threaded through the ends of rather ornamental straps and ties them together on the instep. A rose beige patent afternoon shoe which I saw in Lane, Crawford's is made in this fashion, as is also a very smart evening shoe of black satin with a half heel of gold kid stamped in a design in navy blue.

Both Lane, Crawford's and Powell's by the way, are expecting large consignments of shoes of which those I have described are the advance models.



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25th January, 1928. [5810]

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The B.I. and Appear as Talamba left Singapore for Hong Kong on the morning of the 22nd inst., and is due here to-day at 3 p.m.

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TJIKEMBANG	BATAVIA	20th "	22nd "	BATAVIA
TJIPANAS	JAVA, MANILA	26th "	28th "	S'low & SAIGON
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Hong Kong Observatory, January 26th.

	Previous On Date	On Date
Day	at 2 p.m.	6 a.m. 8 p.m.
Barometer...	29.98	29.97
Temperature...	67	64
Humidity...	79	85
Wind...		
Direction...	E	ESE
Force...	4	3
Weather...	O	OD
Rain...	0.59	0.00
Highest open-air Temperature, 26th: 68		
Lowest open-air Temperature, 26th: 64		

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SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 29th Jan.	10 a.m.
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BANGKOK	"KIONGCHOW"	On 31st Jan.	Noon
SHANGHAI	"YUNNAN"	On 1st Feb.	7 a.m.
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SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE	"SZECHUEN"	On 4th Feb.	7 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & SINGAPORE	"TEAN"	On 4th Feb.	Noon
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SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGCHOW"	On 5th Feb.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 6th Feb.	7 a.m.
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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"NEUWANG"	On 9th Feb.	3 a.m.
SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE	"SOOCHOW"	On 11th Feb.	7 a.m.
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January 25th.
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 Kikaku Maru, Japanese str., 1,431 tons, Capt. Y. Ishihama, from Kure, which port she left on January 19th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 351—Y.K.K.
 Norviken, Norwegian str., 1,779 tons, Capt. Robert Jensen, from Singapore, which port she left on January 17th, with firewood and general cargo, lying at buoy No. 317—Foo Nam S.S. Co.
 Fulmar, Dutch str., 707 tons, Capt. E. D. de Munck, from Miri, which port she left on January 15th, with kerosene, lying at North Point—A.P.C.

January 26th.
 Chipshing, British str., 1,189 tons, Capt. D. G. Burleigh, from Tongku and Weihaiwei. The latter port she left on January 20th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 333—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 City of Madras, British str., 3,045 tons, Capt. H. B. Provan, from Dunkirk and Singapore. The latter port she left on January 19th, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf—Bank Line.

Daigun Maru, Japanese str., 1,318 tons, Capt. J. Yoneta, from Bangkok, which port she left on January 14th, with rice and meal, lying at buoy No. 430—Y. Sato & Co.
 Daviken, Norwegian str., 1,777 tons, Capt. Gustav Svane, from Bangkok, which port she left on January 16th, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. 120—Kin Cheong Lee.

Delhi, British str., 4,733 tons, Capt. R. S. Ward, from Hongkong, which port she left on January 18th, with a general cargo, lying at Rowland Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Gleniffer, British str., 6,021 tons, Capt. Martin, from Shanghai, which port she left on January 23rd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A5—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 Huang, French str., 630 tons, Capt. L. Chuchot, from Fort Bayard, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A29—M.M.

Konigsberg, German str., 3,978 tons, Capt. A. Rieckels, from Shanghai, which port she left on January 23rd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A2—Melchers & Co.
 Matsushima Maru, Japanese str., 4,334 tons, Capt. A. Yamashita, from Singapore, which port she left on January 20th, with a general cargo, lying at Rowland Wharf—N.Y.K.

Orin, Norwegian str., 1,161 tons, Capt. E. Kroger, from Bangkok, which port she left on January 18th, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C16—Karsten, Larsen & Co.

Santhia, British str., 3,860 tons, Capt. D. Cruz, from Moji, which port she left on January 22nd, with a general cargo, lying at Rowland Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

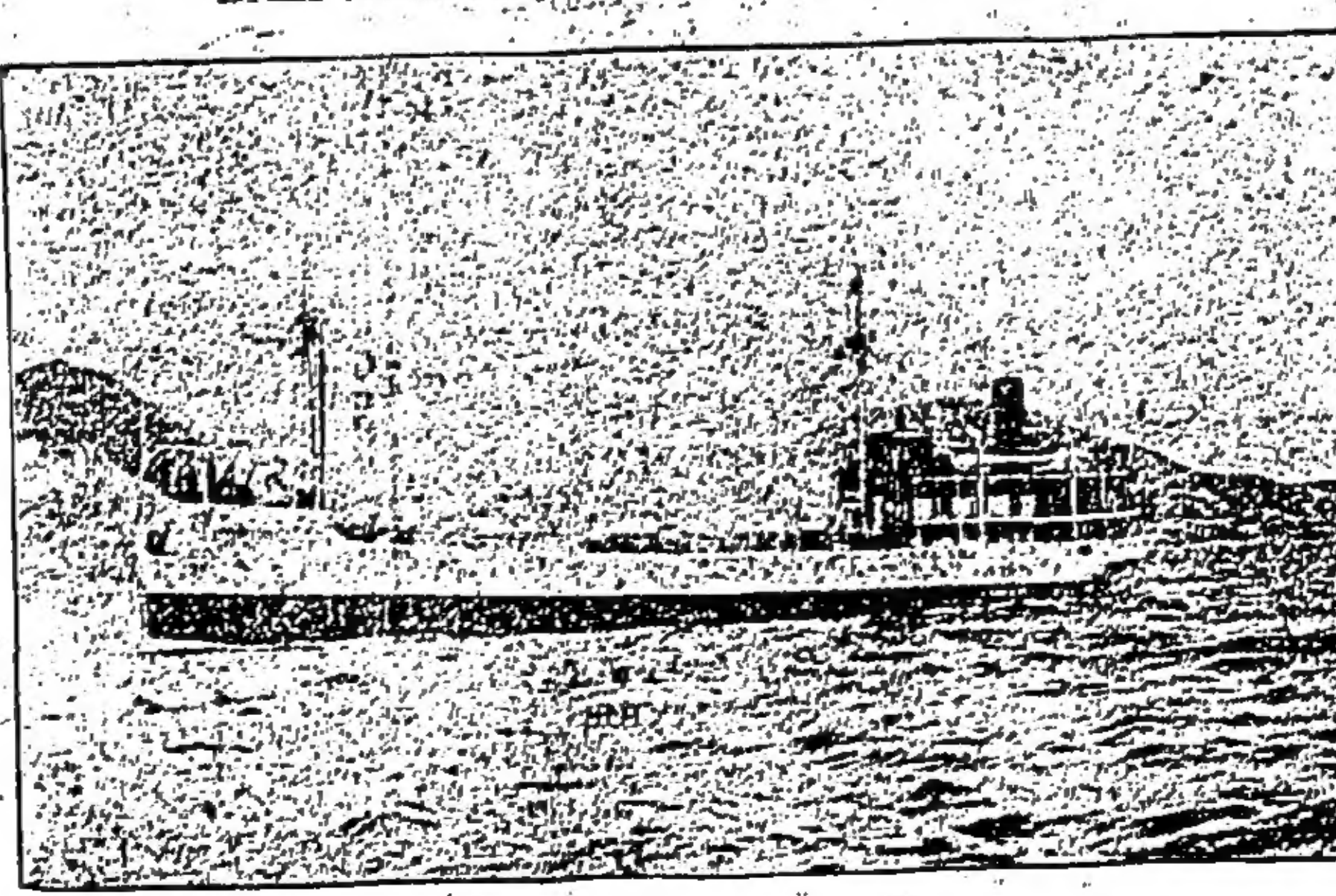
Seattle Maru, Japanese str., 3,422 tons, Capt. G. Fujita, from Moji, which port she left on January 21st, with a general cargo, lying at Rowland Wharf—O.S.K.

Tunkin, French str., 607 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27—M.M.

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Telemachus, British str., 1,340 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Saigon, which port she left on January 21st, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3—Wo Fat Shing.

Tripun Maru, Japanese str., 1,384 tons, Capt. M. Yamachi, from Dairen and Weihaiwei. The latter port she left on January 19th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C18—M.B.K.

THE CHINA COAST.

CHANGES IN OFFICER PERSONNEL.

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 Captain J. K. Clark, of the *Nanning*, has gone master, *Shengkang*.
 Captain A. H. Bathurst, of the *Shengkang*, is on reserve.
 Captain W. Noon, from reserve, has gone master, *Nanning*.
 Captain W. Palmer-Baker, of the *Tingyang*, is on Home leave.
 Captain S. F. Fineson, from Home leave, has gone master, *Tingyang*.
 Mr. E. J. A. Porter, from reserve, has gone chief officer, *Tingyang*.
 Mr. E. L. Merritt, chief officer, *Tingyang*, is on Home leave.
 Mr. T. Hughes, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, *Fookshing*.
 Mr. T. Malcolm, supply second engineer, *Chungkang*, is on reserve.
 Mr. J. Fry, supply second engineer, *Chungkang*, is on reserve.
 Captain J. C. Daily, from Home leave, has gone master, *Fukwang*.
 Captain F. Le Bouteiller, of the *Fukwang*, has gone master, *Huiwang*.—Shipping & Engineering.

VESSLS IN PORT.

Vessels in port yesterday at 9 a.m. were:—

British: *Arctura*, *Chip Shing*, *Telemachus*, *Pharos*, *Huichu*, *Pheumphen*, *New Mathilde*, *Foo Shing*, *Nanning*, *Empress of Canada*, *Ankang*, *Chenau*, *Kolgan*, *Yunnan*, *Hydrangea*, *Haining*, *Linon*, *Protector*, *Chinhua*, *Sui Sang*, *Hin Sang*, *Kuichow*, *Nan-chang*, *Wai Shing*, *Kuichow*, *Cape St. John*, *Kiang Su*, *Apoy*, *Chun-chun*, *Kinkang*, *Gorgidan*, *Wing Hong*, *Samatra*, *Takoo*.

Norwegian: *Orin*, *Daigun*, *Sorviken*, *Corona*, *Hermann*, *Harvard*, *Botan*, *Gran*, *Kullon*, *Eiger*, *Kron-riken*, *Montego*.

Panama: *Panace*.
 Japanese: *Fukun Maru*, *Sitakata Maru*, *Del Maru*, *Hozan Maru*, *Takenaga Maru*, *Ryugei Maru*, *Tokuyama Maru*, *Nisei Maru*.
 Chinese: *Wong Shik Kung*, *Lee On*, *Tak Hong*, *Chien Lee*, *Moer*, *Yun Lee*, *Phuauing*, *Wing Wo*, *Hong An*, *Heng Cheung*, *Sun Kong*, *Hoi Cheung*, *Hai-mun*, *Confucius*, *Hou Poo*, *Sun*, *Pan Tye*, *Lee Cheung*, *Gen. H. Hunt*, *Gen. H. Kuo*, *Man Sun*, *Sun Sai Kui*.
 Dutch: *Fulcanus*, *Hinkow*, *Jan Otto*, *Hong Kong*.
 French: *Song Bu*, *Barbizon*.
 German: *Konigsberg*.
 Portuguese: *Kong On*, *King On*.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships and auxiliaries in port yesterday were:—
 North Wall Basin: *Ambrase*, *Khark*, *South Wall Basin*, *Cicula*, *Gummet*, *Peters*, *S/Ms. L.L. L.19*, *East Wall Basin*, *Titanis*, *S/Ms. L.L. L.1, L.2, L.3, L.4, L.5, L.6, L.7, L.8, L.9, L.10, L.11, L.12, L.13, L.14, L.15, L.16, L.17, L.18, L.19, L.20, L.21, L.22, L.23, L.24, L.25, L.26, L.27, L.28, L.29, L.30, L.31, L.32, L.33, L.34, L.35, L.36, L.37, L.38, L.39, L.40, L.41, L.42, L.43, L.44, L.45, L.46, L.47, L.48, L.49, L.50, L.51, L.52, L.53, L.54, L.55, L.56, L.57, L.58, L.59, L.60, L.61, L.62, L.63, L.64, L.65, L.66, L.67, L.68, L.69, L.70, L.71, L.72, L.73, L.74, L.75, L.76, L.77, L.78, L.79, L.80, L.81, L.82, L.83, L.84, L.85, L.86, L.87, L.88, L.89, L.90, L.91, L.92, L.93, L.94, L.95, L.96, L.97, L.98, L.99, L.100*

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To	Steamship	Date
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TIENTSIN	"CHIPSHING"	Mon., 30th Jan., at 5 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	"LAISANG"	Tues., 31st Jan., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"FOOKSANG"	Mon., 13th Feb., at 7 a.m.
CANTON	"CHAKSANG"	Satur., 25th Jan., at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALOUTTA	"NAMSANG" "KUTSANG" "KUNSANG"	Thurs., 2nd Feb., at 3 p.m. Satur., 4th Feb., at 3 p.m. Sun., 12th Feb., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG" "MAUSANG"	Satur., 24th Jan., at 3 p.m. Wed., 8th Feb., at 3 p.m.

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Motor Vessel "GLENAPF"	7th February
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KAMO MARU	Saturday, 11th Feb.	
KATOBI MARU	Saturday, 25th Feb.	
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.		
MISHIMA MARU	Wednesday, 22nd Feb.	
TANGO MARU	Wednesday, 21st Mar.	
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.		
MALACCA MARU	Friday, 27th Jan.	
TAMBA MARU	Saturday, 11th Feb.	
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.		
GINYO MARU	Monday, 6th Feb.	
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.		
KAWACHI MARU	Wednesday, 29th Feb.	
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.		
TATSUNO MARU	Friday, 10th Feb.	
LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.		
DELAGOA MARU	Tuesday, 7th Feb.	
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.		
BANGGON MARU	Tuesday, 31st Jan.	
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.		
KI MARU	Friday, 17th Feb.	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.		
MATSUMOTO MARU	Friday, 27th Jan.	
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M.S. "Java"	30th January	29th February
M.S. "Australia"	14th February	25th March
M.S. "Asia"	21st February	1st April
M.S. "Africa"	21st March	30th April
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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

MODERATE CARGOES ONLY FOR HONG KONG.

LOW THROUGH FREIGHTS.

Moderate cargoes for Hong Kong were shown in yesterday's freight returns, and through freights were very low. Eleven out of thirteen arrivals brought cargo for this port, and five carried through cargo.

For Hong Kong there was a total of 16,329 tons, of which two British vessels (out of four) brought 2,553 tons, one vessel contributing 2,035 tons of this. Vessels under other flags brought for discharge here 13,544 tons, and all but one vessel registered a four-figure entry. A French vessel brought 1,300 tons of general cargo, a Dutch ship 1,016 tons of kerosene, two Norwegian steamers, over 2,000 tons of rice each, another Norwegian 1,000 tons of general cargo, one Japanese steamer 1,423 tons of general, and another vessel under the same flag 2,735 tons of coal, while a Chinese steamer arrived with 1,000 tons of rice.

Through freights totalled 2,203 tons, with three British vessels carrying 4,036 tons, and of this figure, one British ship, the *Antenor* had 4,420 tons on board. The remaining 1,207 tons were carried in two vessels under other flags, a German steamer having no fewer than 3,837 tons of general freight on board.

Arrivals and Departures.

Arrivals and departures for the 24 hours ended at 6 a.m. yesterday were:-

	Arr.	Dep.
British	4	6
Japanese	2	2
Norwegian	3	0
Chinese	1	1
Dutch	1	2
French	1	0
German	1	0
American	0	2
Total	13	13

Total number of vessels in port, 57.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.	
<i>President Madison</i> , Jan. 30th.	
Australian-Oriental Line.	
<i>Changhe</i> , Feb. 7th.	
<i>Taiyung</i> , Mar. 5th.	
Bank Line.	
<i>City of Benares</i> , Feb. 12th.	
<i>City of Adelaide</i> , Feb. 14th.	
<i>City of Dundee</i> , Mar. 17th.	
<i>City of Bombay</i> , April 4th.	
<i>City of Eastbourne</i> , April 11th.	
<i>City of Cardiff</i> , April 15th.	
Ben Line.	
<i>Benledi</i> , to-morrow.	
British-India and Apcar Line.	
<i>Takada</i> , to-day.	
<i>Takada</i> , Feb. 10th.	
<i>Takada</i> , Feb. 10th.	
Canadian Pacific Line.	
<i>Empress of Australia</i> , Feb. 10th.	
Dollar Steamship Line.	
<i>President Wilson</i> , to-morrow.	
<i>President Cleveland</i> , Jan. 30th.	
Blue Funnel Line.	
<i>Vancouver</i> , Feb. 2nd.	
<i>Philippines</i> , Feb. 6th.	
<i>Taiyung</i> , Feb. 7th.	
<i>Acacia</i> , Feb. 13th.	
<i>Autolycus</i> , Feb. 16th.	
<i>Achilles</i> , Feb. 20th.	
<i>Poliphemus</i> , Feb. 29th.	
<i>Bellerophon</i> , Mar. 2nd.	
<i>Celestus</i> , Mar. 4th.	
<i>Sarpedon</i> , Mar. 5th.	
<i>Rheus</i> , Mar. 10th.	
<i>Troilus</i> , Mar. 18th.	
<i>Menelaus</i> , Mar. 18th.	
<i>Eurylochus</i> , Mar. 27th.	
<i>Automedon</i> , April 1st.	
<i>Patroclus</i> , April 5th.	
<i>Protesilaus</i> , April 10th.	
<i>Phryxus</i> , April 11th.	
<i>Agamemnon</i> , April 15th.	
<i>Laomedon</i> , April 24th.	
East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.	
<i>Java</i> , Jan. 30th.	
<i>Austrasia</i> , Feb. 14th.	
<i>Africa</i> , Mar. 21st.	
<i>Malaga</i> , April 15th.	
<i>Danmark</i> , May 20th.	
Eastern and Australian Lines.	
<i>Tanda</i> , Feb. 8th.	
<i>St. Albans</i> , Mar. 5th.	
Olen Line.	
<i>Glenloch</i> , Feb. 7th.	
<i>Glenloch</i> , Feb. 24th.	
<i>Cannathenshire</i> , March 5th.	
<i>Glenloch</i> , March 18th.	
Hamburg-Amerika Linie and Hugo Stinnes Linie.	
<i>Sarland</i> , Feb. 5th.	
<i>Haveland</i> , Feb. 10th.	
<i>Emil Kirdorf</i> , Feb. 29th.	
<i>Havensand</i> , March 7th.	
<i>Scheer</i> , Mar. 12th.	
<i>Carl Legum</i> , March 29th.	
Java-China-Japan Line.	
<i>Tijubang</i> , Jan. 30th.	
<i>Tijubang</i> , Feb. 2nd.	
<i>Tijubang</i> , Feb. 6th.	
<i>Tijubang</i> , Feb. 13th.	
<i>Tijubang</i> , Feb. 13th.	
<i>Tijubang</i> , Feb. 16th.	
<i>Tijubang</i> , Feb. 20th.	
Messageries Maritimes.	
<i>Tangier</i> , Jan. 31st.	
<i>General Metzinger</i> , Feb. 1st.	
<i>Sphinx</i> , Feb. 15th.	
<i>Yalou</i> , Feb. 25th.	
<i>Portos</i> , Feb. 29th.	
<i>Paul Lecl</i> , Mar. 14th.	
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	
<i>Haruna</i> Maru, to-morrow.	
<i>Tatsuno</i> Maru, Feb. 1st.	
<i>Delagoa</i> Maru, Feb. 6th.	
<i>Tattori</i> Maru, Feb. 8th.	
<i>Kamo</i> Maru, Feb. 10th.	
<i>Mishima</i> Maru, Feb. 10th.	
<i>Calcutta</i> Maru, Feb. 14th.	
<i>Kawachi</i> Maru, Feb. 25th.	
Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.	
<i>Amberg</i> , Feb. 4th.	
<i>Goldenz</i> , Feb. 14th.	
<i>Uhl</i> , Feb. 20th.	
<i>Fulda</i> , March 19th.	
Peninsular and Oriental.	
<i>Kidderpore</i> , Feb. 2nd.	
<i>Kiwa</i> , Feb. 3rd.	
<i>Macedonia</i> , Feb. 3rd.	
<i>Matus</i> , Feb. 3rd.	
<i>Karmania</i> , Feb. 10th.	
<i>Kalyan</i> , Feb. 17th.	
<i>Kashmir</i> , Feb. 17th.	
<i>Mantua</i> , Mar. 1st.	
Prince Line.	
<i>Japanese Prince</i> , Jan. 29th.	
<i>Chinese Prince</i> , Feb. 21st.	
Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.	
<i>Ceylon</i> , Feb. 5th.	
<i>Sumatra</i> , Mar. 5th.	

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

THE RIVER SERVICES.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

With the Chinese New Year Holidays now over, a full resumption of the river services is being made. The Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Ltd., have been the only Company running steamers to and from Canton during the holiday period, and then only day boats. Last night the *Lungshan* went up, and will return again this evening. The usual day and night service will be maintained by the *Taiwan*, *Lungshan* and *Kinsan*. The *Fut-shan* is still in dock. Despite the holiday, there has been a fair number of passengers to and from Canton and there has been a daily average of 700 passengers.

The West River steamers, and other steamers employed on the Canton-Hong Kong run have laid up during the holiday, but they commenced resumption during Wednesday and yesterday, and all services will be in full swing again by to-day.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

The total number of Asiatic deck passengers entered the Colony during the twenty-four hours ended at 6 a.m. yesterday was 143, one vessel carrying 132.

Coal for Stranded Vessel.

Sailing last evening for Wuchow, the s.s. *Kong Ning* took up a quantity of coal for the s.s. *Tai Hing*, which is still aground below Dosing and is running short of fuel.

Engines Trouble.

Shortly after leaving the wharf on Wednesday evening for Canton, the *Fuel On* experienced engine trouble, and assistance had to be procured from tugs in order to effect reberthing.

Out of Dock.

The s.s. *Confucius* came out of Kowloon Dock yesterday morning, following a refit, and berthed at an harbour buoy.

New East Asiatic Steamer.

The *Mannin*, a new vessel for the East Asiatic Company, arrived Singapore last week from Copenhagen on her return journey to Copenhagen. She is registered in Denmark and has a gross tonnage of 3,213 tons and net 2,388 tons. The motor-ship has a bunker capacity of 1,031 tons of fuel and steams at a speed of fourteen knots.

New Motorships.

In addition to the twin-screw motorship *Sibiria*, of about 14,000 tons, which vessel is just completed, telegraphic advice has just been received that the Rotterdam Lloyd Royal Dutch Mail Line has ordered two further mail vessels of 15,000 gross tons each. Both ships will measure 374 feet in length, 70 feet breadth, and 41 feet depth, and will have an average speed of 19 knots. They are expected to be completed by January and end of 1930 respectively and will bear the names *Butterma* and *Denyo*. The *Butterma* will be built on the well-known Feyenoord yard at Rotterdam and the *Denyo* on the Schelde at Flushing, where many ships of the Rotterdam Lloyd have been built. Both ships will be equipped with Sulzer-Schelde motors.

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"MALWA"	10,986	4th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	15th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hall.
"KIDDERPORE"	9,533	25th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"MACEDONIA"	9,334	29th Feb.	Straits and Bombay.
"KASHMIR"	11,130	3rd Mar.	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	9,365	10th Mar.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	9,124	17th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hall.
"KASHMIR"	10,946	24th Mar.	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	9,114	31st Mar.	do.
"KASHMIR"	15,504	7th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	9,233	14th April	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	10,933	21st April	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,006	28th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	10,938	5th May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	9,155	12th May	do.
"KASHMIR"	11,130	19th May	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,114	26th May	do.
"KASHMIR"	10,946	2nd June	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,585	9th June	do.
"KASHMIR"	16,568	16th June	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,144	23rd June	do.
"KASHMIR"	10,986	30th June	do.

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"SANTHA"	7,734	20th Jan. 11am.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKADA"	9,949	12th Feb.	do.
"ALABAMA"	9,016	25th Feb.	do.

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"TANDA"	9,933	2nd Mar.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,600	30th Mar.	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	27th Apr.	do.

Regular Monthly Sailings from Hong Kong to Japan & Hong Kong to Australia. The P. & O. S.S. Co., Ltd., steamers will also call at Shanghai, Lioo, Obo, Kolanigan, Tawo, Timor, Darwin, or other ports en route as indicated.

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The Union, S.S. Co.'s Steamers to the United Kingdom via New Zealand, Vancouver, San Francisco, etc.
The P. & O. Royal Mail Steamers to London via Suez Canal.
The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers to Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"TALAMBA"	8,018	30th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"KIDDERPORE"	5,231	2nd Feb.	Moji and Kobe.
"KEIWA"	9,135	3rd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MACDONALD"	11,120	4th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TANDA"	9,439	7th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"KASHMALA"	9,125	11th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMALA"	10,006	12th Feb.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KASHMIR"	5,955	12th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TALMA"	10,000	20th Feb.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KALYAN"	9,144	23rd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KANTLIWA"	7,953	1st Mar.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"MAINTA"	10,549	2nd Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"STUBBANS"	9,000	5th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"NAGPORE"	5,233	8th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	17th Mar.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MOREA"	10,253	30th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	3rd April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"YEYPORE"	9,018	10th April	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	9,945	13th April	do.
"MAYWA"	10,385	17th April	do.
"TANDA"	6,356	8th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"NOVARA"	6,939	8th May	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"DEVANHA"	8,135	11th May	do.
"MACDONALD"	11,120	20th May	do.
"NANKIN"	10,138	30th May	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,114	8th June	do.
"MAINTA"	10,446	21st June	do.

